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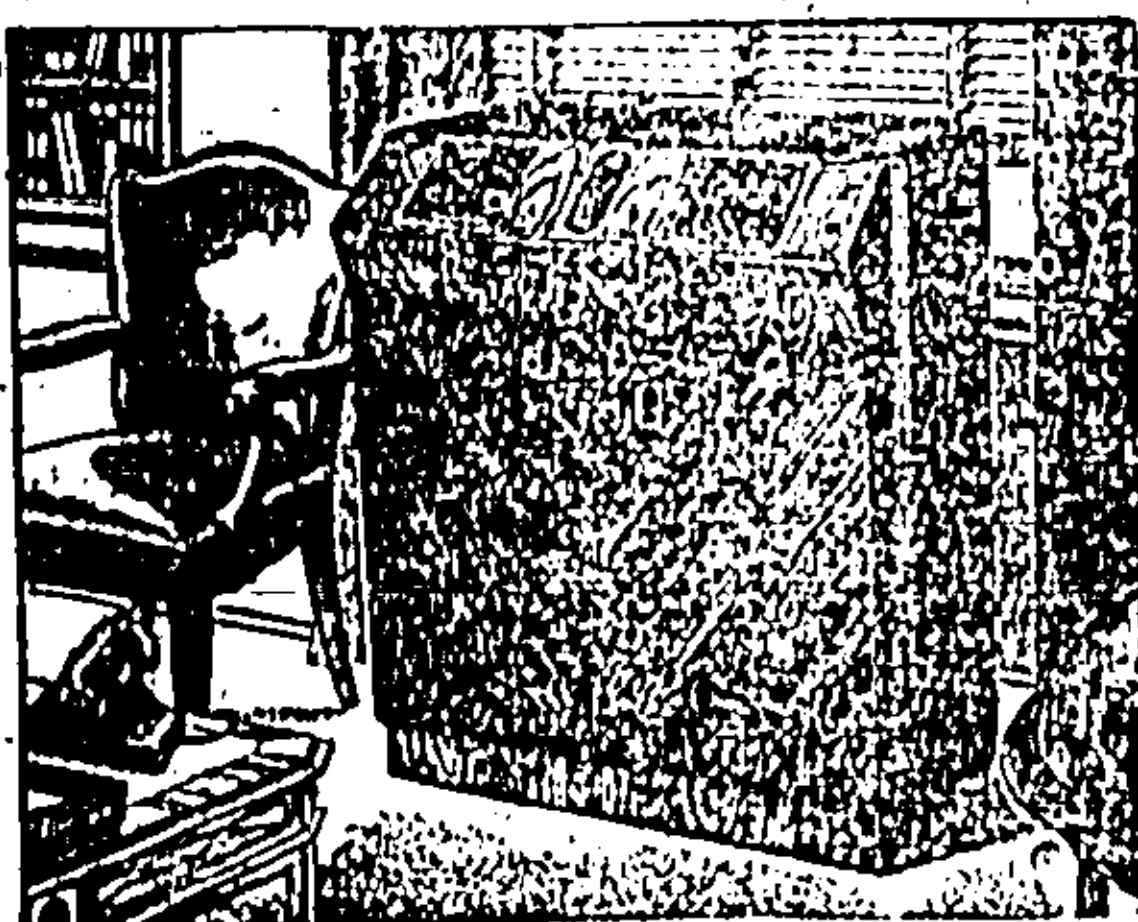
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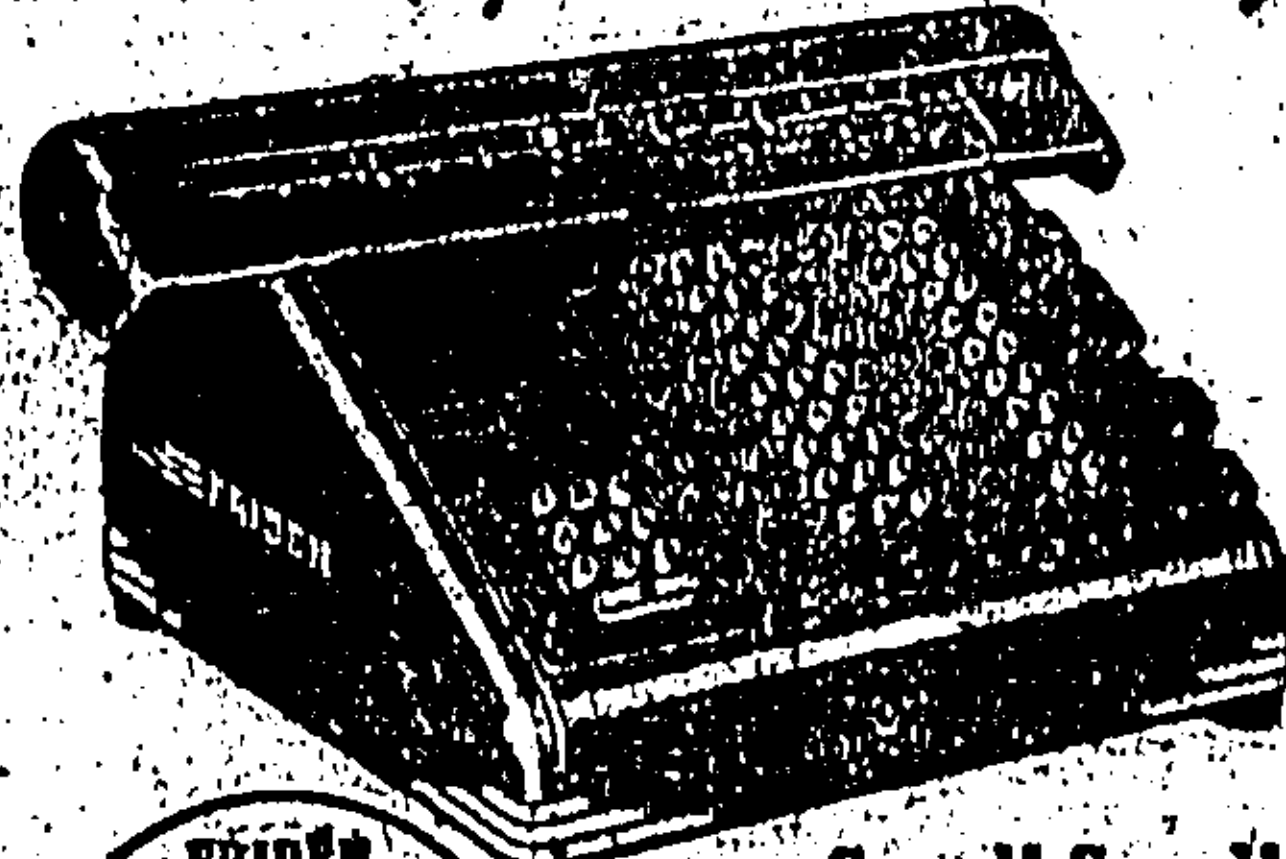
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Sceptical Watchman Uncovers Extensive Larceny Of Fuses

The vigilance of the watchman of the Wing Cheong Building Contractors resulted in the arrest of Leung Wing-yat, who later admitted having robbed houses in Fa Hiu Road of electric fuses.

"We've had hundreds of these fuses stolen and if this carries on it'll be impossible for us to supply Kowloon," Mr. C. F. Wood, of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., told the Court at Kowloon yesterday.

Pleading guilty, defendant was sentenced by Mr. J. Wickes to 18 months' hard labour on charges of larceny and possessing an instrument fit for unlawful purposes.

In the dock with Leung was Li Tung, fiddler of an electric shop at 10 Yunnan Lane, charged with receiving stolen property. Found guilty by the Magistrate, the receiver was sentenced to nine months' hard labour.

Wong Tam-fuk, questioned Leung whom he noticed inter-

fering with the fuse box at the stairway of 242 Fa Hiu Street early last Sunday morning. A small boy, holding a house service fuse, was standing by his side. Leung, who claimed to be an employee of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., had already taken the fuse out from the box and had re-screwed it.

Boy Escaped

The watchman was sceptical and brought Leung to the police station. The boy escaped.

Inquiries at the station led to the discovery that the defendant stole 12 fuses from houses in Fa Hiu Road and had sold them to the second defendant for \$25.

Li Tung, a fiddler, said he knew Leung as a fiddler of an electric shop. Leung had told him that the fuses were left over after he (Leung) had finished with a job assigned by his company and that he wanted to sell them cheap.

Sub-inspector Howarth, prosecuting, declared that the fuses would cost about \$100. Mr. Wood stated that it was not the value of the fuses as the inconvenience it caused both the Company and the consumers. The wires of the fuse box at 242 Fa Hiu Street were in a dangerous condition and anyone who touched them would be electrocuted.

Extradition Proceedings Adjourned

Extradition proceedings against Hsu Chih-chwang, Director General of the Shanghai Postal and Remittance Bank were again heard before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, K.C. instructed by Mr. Marques da Silva was for the defence, while Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel represented the Crown. Mr. Peter H. Sin held a watching brief for the Chinese government.

The bank director is alleged by the Chinese government to have embezzled, while being Director General of the Shanghai Postal and Remittance Bank, CN\$2,850,000,000, US\$250,000 in Victory Bonds and US\$50,000 in cash.

At the previous hearing, defence counsel, Mr. Leo d'Almada submitted that his client had no case to answer.

Yesterday, Mr. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, spent more than four hours in replying to the submissions of the defence and concluded by submitting that Hsu had a case to answer.

Mr. d'Almada, magistrate, said he would require time to go through the submissions of both counsels and adjourned the case provisionally until August 27.

Stag Hotel Hearing Resumed

At yesterday's resumed hearing of the Stag Hotel dispute before Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Acting Justice), further evidence was given on behalf of the plaintiffs.

The dispute has arisen over the question as to whether the original partnership formed in 1933 under the style of Stag Hotel (Hui Kee) had been dissolved and replaced by a new partnership—Stag Hotel (Hui Kee) formed during the Japanese Occupation.

The plaintiffs, Li Tsz-chiu, Li Kiu-po, Ho Chun-suen, Wong Chan-shi, Tong King-fong, Ng Chak-kam and Mak Ching-ling are represented by Mr. H.G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. M.A. de Silva, Mr. Sidney Ng Quin, Messrs. Brutton & Co., and Mr. G.S. Ford.

Defendants are Lo Kar-yam and Chan Mo-ching, who claim more than 40 per cent in the partnership but whose title is disputed by plaintiffs. They are represented by Mr. A. J. Clifford and Mr. D.A.L. Wright, instructed by Mr. P.L. Lam.

The issue before the Court is whether the original partnership, Hui Kee, had been dissolved and replaced by a new partnership. Hearing will be resumed at 10 a.m. today.

Godown Robbery Charge

Evidence for the prosecution was heard at Central yesterday before Mr. Hin-shing Lo when four men appeared on a charge of breaking into the Union Syndicate godown on Jan. 29.

Defendants, Wong Hung, Kwok Yuk Lung, Cheng Yung, and Ip Kam Tim, pleaded not guilty. First three defendants are represented by Mr. C. A. Sutherland, Buss. Fourth defendant is not represented.

A further charge of forcible execution of his duty was preferred against Cheng Yung, the watchman on duty. He is alleged to have left his post, Wong Hung and Kwok Yuk Lung were also charged with counselling and procuring Li Shui, in custody, to break into the godown.

Inspector Kenneth Bodla of Western CID said that the offence took place on the night of January 29 and eight rolls of cloth (valued at \$4,080.00) were stolen. The men hired a taxi and took the cloth to 265 Des Voeux Road West.

The taxi driver made a report to the police station and on April 22 he saw, Cheng Yung and brought him to the station. On information, the first and second defendants were arrested and on May 14 the fourth defendant was arrested in the Southern Playground by a detective from Wan Chai police station.

After corroborative evidence was given the case was adjourned until today.

"Teach Him A Lesson"

Had So Yau, lorry driver, complied with police instructions, he would have been given the chance he persistently asked for, Sub-inspector Brown told the Court at Kowloon yesterday.

So Yau, charged with carrying an excess load and obstructing a police officer, was fined \$40 by Mr. Lattimer.

Sub-inspector Brown said that when he suspected the defendant was carrying more sand than he would be permitted, he instructed the driver to go to the weighing station. So Yau drove on for a short distance and went into a side street where he got out and persistently asked the inspector for a chance.

This was refused and the driver was ordered to follow the officer to the station.

Instead So Yau drove into a lane, where two coolies shovelled part of the load on to the street.

When eventually brought to the weighing station it was found that very little excess was carried.

For last, the defendant would have been only warned and released, Sub-inspector Brown said.

There's no malice on defendant's part in obstructing the police, I'm sure, Mr. Lattimer remarked. He fined So Yau \$40 and warned him.

POP



Kowloon's Biggest Divan Out Of Business

One of the biggest and most flourishing opium dens in Kowloon is now closed as a result of the police raid on 66 Canton Road, ground floor, on Monday evening.

Its keeper, 23-year-old Chow Hup-yun, was fined \$1,000, the peak figure in such cases, for operating the divan and \$50 for possessing fly and a half mace of prepared opium, by Mr. Lattimer at Kowloon yesterday.

On non-payment, Chow has to serve six months' hard labour. He had no previous record.

Two smokers who failed to attend Court yesterday had their \$50 bail exonerated. Four alleged smokers were discharged. Three pleaded that they paid rents for the cockloft and had nothing to do with the smoking.

Thirty-one smokers, including coolies, hawkers, and salesmen, were each fined \$35.

Police found the whole ground floor used as a smoking den. Nine pipes, four pipe heads, 14 lamps, and 34 pots of prepared opium were seized. There were 12 beds in the divan.

At their approach, Wong Yick warned the gang to disperse. When arrested, he admitted running the game.

Identified by the defendant, three others were later arrested on the First Cross dock, where they had sought refuge.

No money was seized. Brought before Mr. Lattimer at Kowloon yesterday, charged with operating a gambling house, Wong Yick, who had a previous conviction for assault, was sentenced to four months' hard labour. He was recommended for deportation.

Lun Hoi and Fung Tak-shing, both with a previous conviction for a similar offence, were given six months' hard labour and recommended for deportation.

Fung Hon-pui, with no record, was fined \$400 or three months' hard labour.

When the inspector entered the shop, he noticed a buzzer on the den, but found no one in it. The buzzer said, he heard the buzzer, and all the smokers run out and hid.

Ng Sau was asked if she knew that an opium den was at the back of the shop. She said that Pang was the leader of the den.

Pang denied, saying he was a Pan Tui Sang and the Pang that Ng Sau mentioned was his brother.

Inspector Moran asked for an adjournment.

He said that the police are still looking for another of the gang and expected to have him by tomorrow. The case was therefore adjourned until the man is arrested.

Attempted Larceny

Found guilty of attempted larceny of a motor cycle cover, the property of Mr. Silva-Netto, of 27 Cameron Road, Chan Shing-chuen was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon yesterday.

Defendant, originally charged with larceny, pleaded not guilty. He declared that he touched the cover accidentally.

Mr. Silva-Netto told the Court that he visited a friend at Liberty Avenue on Sunday and left his motor cycle outside the house. As it was drizzling, he placed a cover over his vehicle.

The defendant had been loitering around that area and had once attempted to steal the cover. But thinking that it would too troublesome to report the matter to the police he did not do so.

On that day he observed from inside his friend's house the defendant's attempt to steal the cover again. Chan walked up and down the street for quite a number of times and eventually sat down near the motor cycle. He then walked up to the vehicle and tapped the cover with a stick. Chan came back again and sat neeper. He got up after eyeing the cover for some time and left.

Mr. Silva-Netto and his friend then rushed out from the house and arrested the defendant.

MR BLAIR-KERR CONGRATULATED

Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr was at Boundary Street last night, the recipient of the congratulations and good wishes of the Kowloon European. Potted Officers on his recent appointment as Assistant Crown Solicitor.

Endorsing the work of Mr. Blair-Kerr as Second Police Magistrate, Mr. Charles Mortimer (Divisional Superintendent) said that during the 16 months that their guest of honour had been on the Bench he had shown the utmost efficiency and tact in all those who had come in contact with him.

Talk on Typhoons. Mr. J. Blair-Kerr, Assistant Crown Solicitor, will be the guest speaker at tonight's weekly meeting of the Kowloon Typhoon Club.

The meeting will take place at the Kowloon Typhoon Club, 66, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30 p.m.

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Gambling In Ferry Launches

Following numerous reports of gambling in ferry launches, two Chinese detectives were assigned to the Man Kok to keep watch on Monday afternoon.

Mid-way across the harbour, after the launch had left the Vehicular Ferry Wharf, Detective Corporals Lo Wan-ming and Wong Kam noticed a group, who turned out to be a gang of professional gamblers, playing "red and green cards."

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Dumped Rubbish, Tried Bribe

The shopkeeper and apprentice of the Chip Lee Metal Plating Company were brought to the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday, charged respectively with bribery and the illegal dumping of rubbish.

Chan Chai, 47-year-old shopkeeper, was fined \$150, while his apprentice, Tai Kam, was fined \$15, by Mr. J. Wickes.

Both pleaded guilty. Tai Kam was seen by a sanitary cooler, Wong Hung, dumping two baskets of rubbish into a side channel of Tai Po Road near Kwai Tin Street on Monday.

The cooler arrested him and handed the defendant over to Chan Tso, Sanitary Department foreman. On their way to the police station, a man, who identified himself as another apprentice from the shop, offered \$10 to Chan Tso to release Tai Kam. When he was arrested, the man confessed that the shopkeeper had given him the money. Chan Chai was arrested and charged.

The \$10 was confiscated and given to the P. P. Box.

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WOMAN CONDUCTS OWN DEFENCE, LOSES CASE

Increasing Registration Fee On Land

An ordinance to amend the Land Registration Ordinance, of 1944 will be read for the first time at the Legislative Council meeting this afternoon. A statement, explaining the objects and reasons for the proposed amendment, said that it has been considered desirable to review the fees payable on registration of documents and other matters connected with the Land Office. The consideration which changes hands on sale of property has increased very greatly in recent years, but the fees in respect of registration have not been increased since 1902, although a variation was made in 1924 to provide for amortisation of the fees in the case of small properties under \$500. Few of the other fees have been altered since 1902, and the Search Fee in particular (one dollar) has remained the same since 1844.

Increases

The calculation of the fee on registration of deeds has been simplified by abolishing the increased fee where more than one lot is concerned, and the nominal fee of HK\$1 is proposed for all registrations up to a value of HK\$1,000 in lieu of HK\$500 as before. The increased fee under this head only commences at HK\$2,000 and rises by another stage to HK\$500 on HK\$100,000 and over. Every transaction over HK\$5,000 previously attracted a fee of HK\$15.

The search fee is raised from one dollar to two, there are moderate increases in most other fees, and the legal charges for the issue of leases in which a considerable amount of work is involved, have been raised from HK\$30 to HK\$75. A provision whereby the Governor in Council in 1932 authorised an exemption from charges for a second lease in certain circumstances has been incorporated in the Amendment.

Airman's Funeral

The funeral of Leading Aircraftman A. F. Hone took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday with full military honours. Six of his comrades acted as pall bearers to the young airman who had died of acute infection after a short illness.

The service and firing party included 20 airman and two Non-Commissioned Officers.

The Air Officer Commanding, Hong Kong, was represented by his personal assistant, Flight-Lieutenant (D Arm Group) Captain J. N. Jefferson. Squadron Leader G. E. H. Walker, Squadron Commander, and four other Officers were also present at the funeral.

GURKHA BROADCASTS

A Gurkha half-hour programme will be broadcast over ZBK on Wednesdays from 7.30 to 8 p.m., beginning today. It was officially announced yesterday.

Announcers and material will be provided by the Gurkha army units. The broadcast will be in Gurkhal.

The programmes will include summaries of world and local news of interest to Gurkhas, recorded Indian music, and live entertainment by the Gurkha units.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

The food and fuel costs for the week ending 10.7.48, issued by the Labour Office, were as follows:

Rice and Fuel	12.12	12.12
Vegetables	1.5	1.5
Butter	1.5	1.5
Oil	1.5	1.5
Tea	1.5	1.5
Fish	1.5	1.5
Meat	1.5	1.5
Fruit	1.5	1.5
Flour	1.5	1.5
Beans	1.5	1.5
Total	111.12	111.12

RIP KIRBY



Allegations that plaintiff had taken a dislike to her and had brought the action to injure her, were made by Mrs. Beatrice Church before Mr. Justice J. Reynolds (Acting-Puisne Judge) at the Supreme Court yesterday. Judgment was given in favour of the plaintiff, Mrs. Augusta Marie Gutierrez d'Aquino, of Room 504 Gloucester Hotel, who had sued Mrs. Church of the Advertising and Publicity Bureau for \$562.50, balance of salary due from June 8 to June 30. Mrs. d'Aquino was also awarded costs.

On Mrs. Church giving notice of appeal, Mr. Justice Reynolds made an order that a stay of execution be granted until the hearing of the appeal.

Mrs. d'Aquino said that she was on holiday here from Shanghai last January when she met Mrs. Church in the Lines Office. Mrs. Church asked her what she was doing and she told her that she was spending a short holiday in the Colony and was about to return to Shanghai.

Mrs. d'Aquino said that defendant offered her a job. She told defendant that she had to get a permit to enter the Colony. Mrs. Church promised to assist her and in fact did so. She arrived in Hong Kong on April 12 and started to work on April 16.

Mrs. d'Aquino said that she undertook the duties of a secretary, but was called upon to perform other work which came under the category of work done by a stenographer. She was also told to take over Colonel Brazier-Craig's job when he left.

Some 10 days later, Mrs. d'Aquino said that she was required to do accounting work and Mr. Church told her that she was totally ignorant regarding that type of work.

Violent Temper

Mrs. d'Aquino said that on May 25, she wrote to defendant, giving notice that she would quit on June 30.

On June 7, Mrs. Church was in a violent temper. Mrs. d'Aquino said that she was in a violent temper, and she started over the discharge of the office boy. At about 2 p.m. she found the telephone operator reduced to tears.

Defendant was in a very bad temper and would not allow anybody to contradict her. Mrs. d'Aquino said that nothing was directed towards her up to the time that Mrs. Church left the office at about tea time.

Mrs. d'Aquino said that she was having tea and smoking with another employee, Mrs. Collard, when Mrs. Church returned.

"It was then that I received the full blast of her fury on my head," said Mrs. d'Aquino, who added that defendant said: "How many times have I told you that this is a busy office and that there is no time for chit chat?"

Mrs. d'Aquino said that although Mrs. Church said that she was not smoking, she said nothing to Mrs. Collard, although she was also smoking and having tea at the same time.

Mrs. d'Aquino told defendant that it was tea recess and she was only having a couple of minutes off to drink her tea. She then went back to her desk to continue typing a letter which was half finished. She was working under stress at the time and by mistake typed the word "has" instead of "had" after the word "we".

Error Noticed

Mrs. d'Aquino said that she gave the letter to Mrs. Church without first checking it and the error was noticed. Defendant then stormed and fumed and told her that she did not know English and did not know how to spell.

Mrs. d'Aquino said that she told defendant that she was leaving on June 30 and that the remainder of the time might be completed in harmony if possible. She could not remember very much after that, as Mrs. Church was raving and ranting and during this time, she heard the words "come in under false pretences." Mrs. d'Aquino said that she told defendant that she would be greatly relieved if she could be released.

Defendant told her to leave right away and that she would not have another word from her. Mrs. d'Aquino said that Mrs. Church said: "You will leave immediately without salary." Mrs. d'Aquino said she told Mrs. Church that she could not do that, whereupon Mrs. Church said something about turning the money over to some charitable institution. She told Mrs. Church

Interim Dividend

The Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation have declared an interim dividend of 22 (Two Pounds sterling) net per share after payment of H. K. Corporation Profits Tax for the first half of the present financial year.

Sino-British Club Debate

A debate arranged by the Sino-British Club will be held at 6.45 on Friday evening at Club Lusitano. The subject under discussion will be "That this house has no faith in representative government."

Mr. W. H. Latimer will occupy the chair and Mr. C. Wilcott will open the debate for the motion. Mr. C. Losby will oppose the motion, and supporting him will be Mr. de Silva, Professor C. L. Tseng is to support Mr. Wilcott. Other speakers are expected to be Mr. Brook Bernacchi and Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ.

Personalia

Departures for Manila by CPA on Monday were Mrs. Go Lap, Mrs. Sim P. Messrs. Pedro Tan (Bin-bao), Yau Siang-ching, Tan Eng, Huang Chen-hi, Tan Siao-chia, Celestino Sy, Chua Seung, Jose Uy Key-yuk, Gey Chun and Chua Hong.

Arrivals on Monday from Indonesia by Air France included Mrs. Ho Sou-ying, Mrs. Pham Thi-lan, Miss Lo Piu-yue, Messrs. Li Hal-dung, Pham Hal-hoan, Leang Kang and Ho Yung-lo, M. Platinaky, M. de Gasperis and Wang Xiang-hoel.

Latest departures for Singapore by BOAC flying-boat are the Chinese Ambassador to Australia (His Excellency Kan Nel-kung), Capt. L.M. Plati, Messrs. Chan Chen-chuan, J.L. Cranna, Yung Loo-lan, Chang Shu-ching, Chang Wang-woo, Kam Pang, Han Chong, Dr. W. A. Wynne, Mrs. Chong Kum-siew, and Mrs. E. C. Wynne.

Arrivals from Singapore by BOAC flying-boat are Messrs. Tan Boon-guan, On Seng-hoat, Aw Boon-haw, S.A.S. Chopra, Hong Wing, Chan Oi, Lam, Chong, Ho Kam-fong, Eu Kong-mun, D. Andre, Butcher, Mdm. Oh Wan-nio, Mrs. Tan Poh Tong-moi, Mdm. Chu Kik-in and Mrs. Dian Eu.

Among the arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday were Messrs. W.G.C. Butcher, S.R.S. Chopra, M.H. Brotman, William D. Davis, R. de Gasperis, L. Gorde and K.C. Tsai.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mrs. and Mrs. Preenmath, Mr. and Mrs. Chan Chen-chuan, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Kitz, Mr. and Mrs. M. Mathradas, Messrs. Menjen Yen, N.K. Pan, Ed. G. Way, Mr. R.A. Lowell, N.K. Sanghi, R.W. Borsood and Mrs. D.A. Borsood.

The forthcoming wedding of Edward Cecil Vagg of 13 Bay View Mansions, Causeway Bay, to Yau Sau-cheng, has been announced.

Jars would not make any difference to me," Mrs. Church said that she would send the money to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Plaintiff replied that she had no right to do so without her consent.

Supporting Evidence

Evidence in support of Mrs. Church's case was given by Mrs. A. Collard and Mr. J. Goodyear, who testified as to events which took place on the afternoon of June 7. Both witnesses said that Mrs. Church never acted unreasonably towards her employees.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Reynolds said:

"It is clear in this case that up to June 7, the plaintiff was under notice to leave defendant's employ on June 30. The plaintiff and defendant have given different versions of what took place on the afternoon of June 7. This is purely a question of fact and I must decide according to which version is more substantially correct. On this question, after consideration, I find that the account given by plaintiff was the correct one, namely, that the defendant told her to leave immediately without salary or words to that effect."

By ALEX RAYMOND

UNITED NATIONS GETS PAT ON THE BACK

Canberra, July 13.

Dr. H. V. Evatt, spokesman of the smaller nations, believes the United Nations is "entitled to regard its many successes" in its first three years of existence.

Dr. Evatt, Australia's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Chief, reviewed UN's position on the occasion of the third anniversary of the UN Charter.

"While it would be foolish to ignore the setbacks which the United Nations has experienced," he said, "it is essential to take account of its positive achievements."

"The United Nations is faced in its early years with a world situation which its founders never contemplated, namely, a world in which the main peace treaties have not been made."

READER'S LETTER

Pension Stopped

Sir,—I would welcome enlightenment from any competent authority as to why a poor widow, who lost her only son and sole support fighting in the Chinese section of the British Regular Army during the 1941 hostilities, should have had her meagre pension of HK\$4 per week stopped since last January and (were it not for friends) left in utter destitution?

This, despite the fact that the young man was listed M.B.K. among the casualties shown to me in Major Riddell's office in Lana Forces in October 1945, and also despite two affidavits giving circumstantial evidence of death sworn in Secretariat of Chinese Affairs office by myself and his mother.

They answered the Call—have you read the advertisement for the Hong Kong War Memorial Fund. Well, here was one who undoubtedly answered the Call, firmly believing his mother would be looked after should he be killed. Instead of this, she has been left in a desperate financial position withdrawn from her and the authorities, in denying her this right, have had to shelter behind the mere technicality of there having been no visual proof of death.

Before taking the matter as far as I can take it I would challenge them, if they feel there is the minutest evidence showing her son to be yet alive, to bring an action against her for obtaining money by false pretences, and against us both under the Statutory Declaration Act in respect of the aforementioned affidavits.

If not, then equity and the ethics of the matter demand the immediate restoration, at a rate more in conformity with local living costs, of her pension from the date of its cessation.

In fairness to dependents of present locally enlisted men no less than to those of prospective recruits, it may be advisable to make them fully aware of the slender chances they will stand of ever getting pensions or gratuities should a similar outbreak occur, and their sons happen to be members of isolated parties of soldiers rounded up in uniform in the hills and annihilated! Nothing less than this could have accounted for the present quoted case, where an affectionate and allied son, caught up in one of the fiercest areas of the fighting, has never been seen since, by his mother or by anyone else who knew him. But the authorities only wriggle uncomfortably and say, "You see, no proof of death. Very sorry..."

One may therefore, perhaps be forgiven for indulging in somewhat cynical smiles when phrases like "British justice" are bandied about by pompous, portly and placid-minded individuals, to whom what is about as great a streamer as Honour.

I have all the correspondence, could anyone be induced to shake off official lethargy sufficiently to be interested in the humanitarian aspect of the case.

T. P. JACKSON.

Reminders

Today
Too H. weekly meeting, Talk on "Typhoons" by L. Starbuck. Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Games Morning, Ladies Section, European YMCA, 10 a.m.
Exhibition of paintings by Mrs. Van de Linde, St. Francis Hotel.
Legislative Council meeting, 2.30 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
Annual Meeting, Asia Lands Ltd., board room of Lowe Building & Matthews, 12.45 p.m.
Exhibition of paintings by Mrs. Van de Linde, St. Francis Hotel.
Y's Men Club meeting, No. 1 Bungalow, Repulse Bay Beach Road, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Exhibition of paintings by Mrs. Van de Linde, St. Francis Hotel, 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
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Dr. Rand, who is from Canada and has travelled widely, traced the history and development of the stage down the centuries and explained how the drama contributes to our daily lives.

A vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Rotarian Harry Odell.

A letter from Rotary International's new President, Mr. Angus Mitchell, was read to the meeting by the President of Hong Kong Rotary, Mr. D. S. Hill.

Rotary Vice-President, who has just returned from the Convention at Rio, brought back a flag from the Montreal Rotary Club.

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Applicants must be under 35 years of age and should possess a University diploma in agriculture. Teaching experience will be an advantage. Successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

M. G. O'CONNOR, Ag. Director of Education, 12th July, 1948.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION

For Information of Ship Operators and Charterers

It is hereby notified that Saturday, 10th July, 1948, has been declared a Weather-non Working Day.

J. JOLLY, Director of Marine.

Marine Department, Hong Kong, 12th July, 1948.

COMPANIES (RE-CONSTRUCTION OF RECORDS) ORDINANCE 1947.

Re: T. O. WONG & CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above Company has applied to the Registrar pursuant to Sec. 12 of the above Ordinance for leave to re-construct its register of members and that the statutory declaration in support can be inspected in the office of the Registrar of Companies on payment of the prescribed fees. All persons who claim to be entitled to be registered as shareholders of the Company should notify the Company of their full names and addresses, their claim and the evidence upon which it is based WITHIN THREE MONTHS from the 18th day of July, 1948.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN INTERIM DIVIDEND in respect of the year 1948 of \$2.00 per share, free of tax, and a CAPITAL BONUS of \$3.00 per share derived from the profit accruing on the sale of part of the Company's land at Hok On, Kowloon, has been declared payable on and after the 2nd August, 1948.

Applications for Dividend and Bonus Warrants should be made either personally or by letter to the Registered Office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 16th to 31st July, 1948, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR, Manager & Secretary. Hong Kong, 2nd July, 1948.

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'ALMOST MIRACULOUS' NAVAL BATTLE IN INDIAN OCEAN CRUISER SUNK BY MINELAYER

London, July 12.

The Admiralty tonight published the story of an "almost miraculous" war-time naval engagement, in which the 650-ton, Indian minesweeper Bengal sank a 10,439-ton Japanese armed raider.

Bengal, escorting the Dutch oil tanker, Ondina in the Indian Ocean in November, 1942, sighted two Japanese armed raiders, one of over 10,000 tons and the other of 8,000 tons.

Inland Navigation Rights

Shanghai, July 13. The Chinese afternoon newspaper, To Chung Yeh Pao, claimed in a feature article today that the sole object of the "courtesy visit" to China of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, South-east Asia High Commissioner, was to broach the subject of reopening China's inland waters to British shipping, which Chinese Government officials politely but firmly rejected.

The paper said MacDonald's visit was preceded by British propaganda on efforts to clamp down on Communist activities in Singapore, Malaya and Hong Kong for the purpose of showing that the Chinese Government and the British in South-east Asia and China have a common front against the Reds.

The article said the Chinese Government politely refused to discuss inland navigation rights in view of the strong opposition among the people, especially Chinese shipping interests which have objected to the special arrangement whereby American ships may carry relief supplies in Nanking and Hankow on the Yangtze River.—United Press.

EUROPEAN EVACUATION IN PAHANG

Singapore, July 13. The 20 European women and children evacuated as an emergency from the Pahang Consolidated Tin Mine at Simat in Pahang State, are expected to arrive here tonight by plane, an official of the Borneo Company, agents for the mine, disclosed today.

The mine is the largest tin mine in Malaya.

A unit of guards accompanied by J. A. Donald, acting manager of the Borneo Company, left this morning in a chartered Dakota plane to supervise the evacuation. Guards will take over defence of estates in a wide area around the mine.—United Press.

STATE MINES' HEAVY LOSS

London, July 13. The National Coal Board reported today a loss of £23,255,580 in 1947—the first year of operation of Britain's coal mines under government ownership.

The previous year the mines made a profit of £15,343,000, then privately owned.—United Press.

ITALY APPROVES ERP PACT

Rome, July 12. The Italian Chamber today approved the bilateral European aid agreement with the United States by 297 votes to 98.—Reuter.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF P. F. DAVAR also known as PRESTONJEE F. DAVAR (or DAVAR late of SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A. Retired Merchant, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 10th day of August, 1948.

ALL creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 12th day of July, 1948.

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Almost Miraculous

The Admiralty, when informed of this exploit, sent an expression of its deep admiration to the Government of India, it is now disclosed.

The narrative of the engagement, submitted by the Commanding Officer of Bengal, concluded: "Those who took part in this action will never cease to marvel at the result. To think that a small ship, with only one 12-pounder gun, should engage two raiders, both more than ten times her own size, and each with about 20 times her gun power, and so enable the tanker to escape, sink one raider, and then get away herself, is almost miraculous."

"The Royal Indian Navy should be justly proud of their little Bengal Tiger," she has had her full twisted and has a few scars, but these will soon be healed and the Tiger will be roaring again," Reuter.

Fewer US Merchant Vessels

Washington, July 12. Figures issued by the National Federation of Shipping show that during the past six months the United States merchant fleet in service declined by 200 ships.

The decrease is attributed to bigger foreign fleets and to the decline in United States foreign trade, principally in bulk cargoes of coal and grain to Europe.

The privately owned and operated American merchant fleet now numbers 1,175 vessels, an increase of 172 in the last six months, but, during the same period, Government-owned ships chartered to private operators declined by 469.—Reuter.

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Rail Strike In Canada?

Ottawa, July 12.

The Canadian railway unions today rejected the Government's latest proposal for a settlement of the wage dispute which threatens to lead to a strike of 122,000 Canadian railway workers on Thursday.

The railway trade unions have set 6.00 a.m. local standard time on Thursday for the start of the strike. Passengers on Canadian railways have been warned to be ready to end their journeys at midnight next Wednesday.—Reuter.

Warships Exercise In Mirs Bay

During last week and the first four days of this week, ships of the British Pacific Fleet have been engaged in a series of exercises in the waters around Hong Kong and Mirs Bay.

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The cruisers of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron have practised towing each other and spent the weekend in Tolo Harbour, where amongst other exercises they landed demolition parties for practice on an uninhabited island.

This week the ships of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron and Eighth Destroyer Flotilla are carrying out bombardments on the Army artillery range at Port Shelter. Sand filled ammunition was used on Monday and yesterday. Today high explosive shells will be fired.

For today's shoots parties from the Army, the Royal Air Force and the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, more than 100 officers and men will be embarked in the warships as spectators.

On Monday evening ships of the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla carried out torpedo firing, afterwards recovering the torpedoes using their ships' boats.

MATINEE IDOL'S FUNERAL

Hollywood, July 12. The funeral of King Baggot, 60, matinee idol of silent film days and later a movie director, who died on Sunday in a sanatorium after a stroke, will be held on Wednesday.—United Press.

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DARING GUERILLA COUP IN MALAYA

Destruction Of Machinery In Mining Town

BURMESE RICE EXPORTS

London, July 12. The export of rice by Burma was not likely to be affected by a reduction in Burmese imports of other goods, Dr. Edith Summerskill, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, said today.

Mr. Walter Fletcher, Conservative, had asked in the House of Commons what the Minister was doing to ensure full delivery of rice from Burma during the rest of the year "now that supplies of textiles and other goods to Burma are to be drastically reduced."

Dr. Summerskill replied: "The Burma Government, for whom we act as agents in the sale of rice, is represented on the International Emergency Food Committee and is under an obligation to adhere to the principles of allocation."

"There are no conditions attached to the sale of rice and the reduction of imports of other goods is unlikely to affect the situation. I am not aware that supplies are being drastically curtailed."

Mr. Fletcher: "Will you find out the real facts from the Board of Trade? Do you remember that the agreement approved by the International Committee in Singapore failed by 70 per cent to deliver the rice and will you make certain that there is no repetition of that failure?"

Dr. Summerskill: "I can assure you rice sent from Burma is up to schedule. We did make enquiries from the Board of Trade before I answered this question."

-Reuter.

Damascus, July 13. The Political Committee of the Arab League has been convened for an urgent meeting "in the mountains of the Lebanon" on Tuesday next to discuss the cease-fire proposals of Count Folke Bernadotte, the Palestine mediator, official sources said here tonight.

-Reuter.

Successful Hit-And-Run Attack In Selangor

Singapore, July 12.

With machine-guns blazing, 170 guerillas swept into Malaya's big mining town of Batu Arang today and held it for 90 minutes while skilled saboteurs wrecked vital equipment.

The guerillas cut all communications to the town, pinned down the police and Europeans, including passengers in an arriving train, skilfully wrecked the mine and vanished again into the jungle before Gurkhas and police reinforcements could arrive.

They singled out five Chinese, including the general overseer of the mine, for deliberate murder.

A communique issued at the Federal capital of Kuala Lumpur, 25 miles away, said the police believed they killed one of the raiders.

Royal Air Force Spitfires roared low over Batu Arang as the guerillas, many of them in the green uniform of the former Malayan People's Anti-Japanese Army, carried out their attack.

The assault began at 7.00 a.m. local time with the cutting of road and telephone lines into the town. The raiders then broke up into groups. One—37 strong—held up a train entering the town and herded the 53 passengers on board into the station master's office for an hour.

Another party attacked the police station, pinning down 16 constables with concentrated fire from behind heaps of stone and rubble. A third surrounded the European quarter, keeping the 22 people there indoors.

Sabotage Experts
With the town thus in their control, another party, including experts who know what they were doing, smashed the most vulnerable machinery at the mine itself.

They fired shots in water pumps and compressors of eight trailers and seriously damaged three main excavators. They forced the driver of one excavator to run over the edge into an open cut. The manager of the mine was reported to have asked for military protection a fortnight ago, but all troops were tied up elsewhere.

Mr. J. W. Elliot, the General Manager of the Batu Arang col-

liery, said tonight that the terrorists' sabotage will not affect coal production immediately but may do so in a month or two if the damage is irreparable. The sabotage was carried out by men who "obviously knew the lay-out," he said, for two cases of major damage occurred two miles apart.

Mystery Girl
A "mystery" girl in the attack was a 17-year-old Chinese who walked calmly through the passengers on the railway platform to take the train's first aid box, apparently for the guerillas.

In an attack on the Sengang Estate, near Ipoh, terrorists, comprising 30 heavily armed Chinese, drove off the estate's manager and two special constables, firing 300 shots at them as they crossed a river while escaping.

Troops later reoccupied the estate, but the factory buildings were reported to have been razed to the ground.

It was announced in Singapore today that the Volunteer Corps will be reformed.

Singapore Swoop

In Singapore, a bill will be introduced into the Legislative Council tomorrow giving the Governor, Sir F. C. Gimson, blanket power to suspend, supersede or suppress any existing law as part of the campaign against the Communists.

The bill extends to two years the time a person can be detained without being charged. Plain clothes detectives raided a rural area outside Singapore today, the fourth large sweep in a week. Twelve Chinese and two Malaysians were detained.

Although the Police during recent weeks have captured hammer and sickle emblems and documents expressing typical Communist ideology, there has been no direct evidence that the Malayan terror campaign is being directed by Moscow or that Moscow is linked with the current disturbances.

If the security officials have any indication of a direct link with Moscow, they are keeping it to themselves.

Informed sources believe it is probable that the disturbances stemmed from the Calcutta Congress of the Indian Communist Party early in March. This was attended by delegates from the countries of Southeast Asia, and the Malayan delegates later disappeared and went underground.

-Reuter and United Press.

TENSION RISES IN BANGKOK

Bangkok, July 12.

Tension rose today as rumours increased of a possible sudden move to oust at least part of Premier Phibun Songgram's Government.

Union labour was reported nervous. A general strike was considered for July 14, the Premier's birthday.

Uneasiness among the military leadership was indicated by the confinement of Lt-Col. Narong Vorabut, one of the leaders of the coup last November. He recently issued a pamphlet attacking other leaders of the November revolt.

Two Generals and several high ranking officers were reported to have been questioned by the military command.

Army guards were posted in strategic areas. Elements of the Army and Navy have expressed disapproval with the way in which military leaders of the November coup have been impugning the names of the services by delving into politics and commerce.—Associated Press.

Flying Forts Impounded

Halifax, July 12.

Mr. Charles Collins, the Customs Collector, said today that, pending advice from Ottawa, he had impounded a United States Flying Fortress carrying nine men who claimed to be on a navigational training flight from New York. The aircraft was reported to be in the service of Haganah, Captain Erwin Chandler, of Miami, Florida, the pilot, had said the plane was going to return to its base at White Plains, New York.

Captain Chandler denied that the aircraft, which had no visible armament, was on its way to Palestine.—Reuter.

AMERICAN ON TRIAL IN CHINESE COURT

Shanghai, July 13.

Harold William Allen, 28, of Dayton, Ohio, pleaded innocent in the District Court today to a charge of assault resulting in the death of a pedicab driver on May 29.

Allen told the court he did not strike the Chinese coolie intentionally. He said he was just trying to ward him off, but the coolie stubbornly followed him.

The prosecution told the court the incident was the result of a misunderstanding between Allen and Sun Chu-hsien, the pedicab coolie. The coolie failed to take Allen to his destination and a quarrel followed over payment of the fare.

The court said that judgment will be announced next Monday. Court attaches said relatives of the coolie and Allen had reached an out of court settlement of the civil suit wherein Allen has

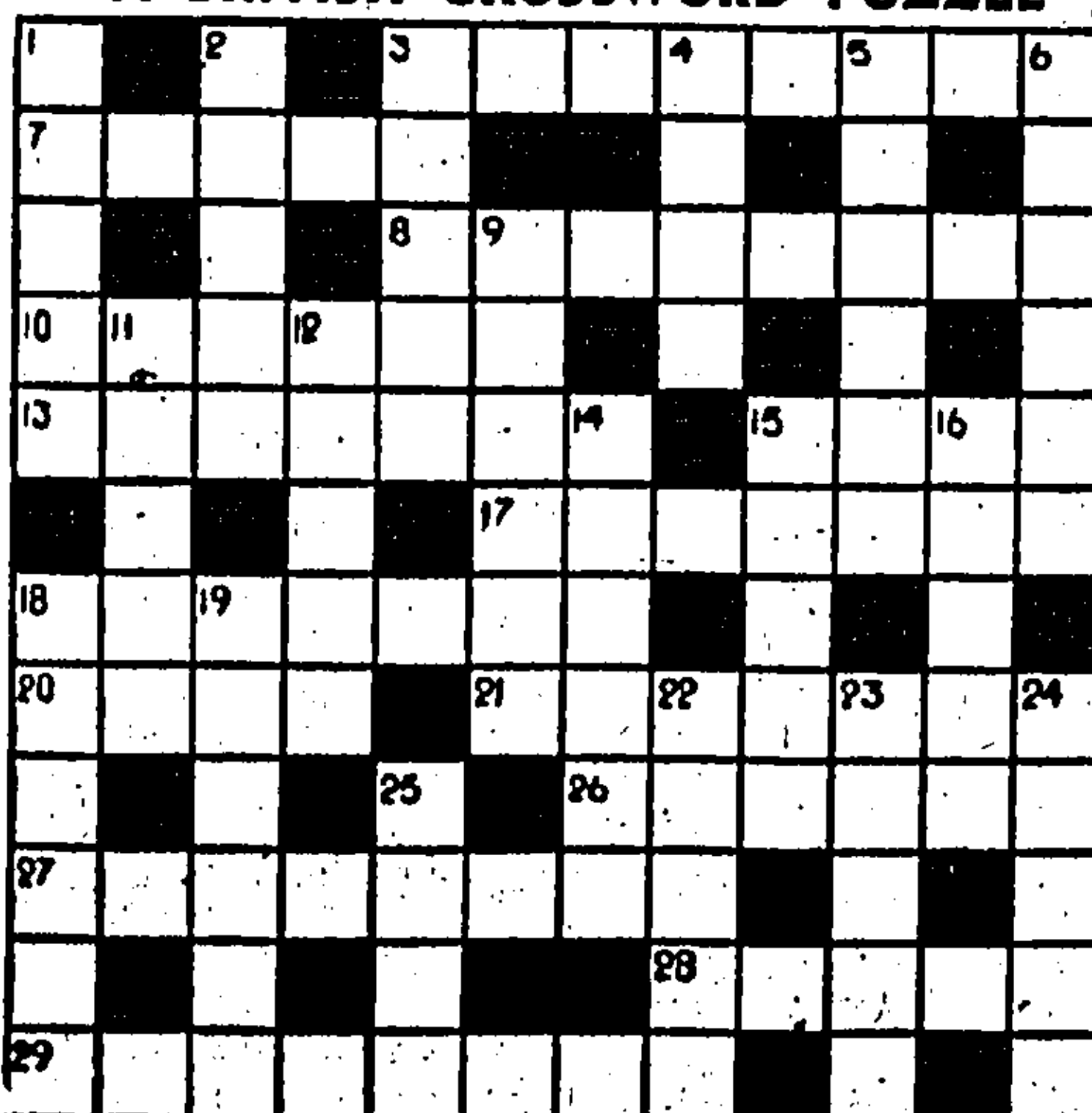
CZECH ESCAPES

Paris, July 12.

Dr. Hubert Ripka, 52-year-old Czechoslovak Minister for Foreign Trade before the Communist seizure of power in February, today officially revealed his presence in Paris as an exile.

He was clandestinely flown out of Czechoslovakia several months ago, but remained in hiding until his wife and two children were also able to escape. Dr. Ripka was a member of the exile Czechoslovak Government in London during the second World War.—Reuter.

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- 3 Fall to pieces.
- 7 Vestige.
- 8 Affirms.
- 10 Boil down.
- 13 Bullfighter.
- 15 Run easily.
- 17 Settled.
- 18 Withdraws.
- 20 Clothed.
- 21 Quietude.
- 26 Disavowed.
- 27 Praised.
- 28 Feed to excess.
- 29 Reduce to a minimum.

Clues Down

- 1 Tempest.
- 2 Discourage.
- 3 Granted.
- 4 Temporary cessation.
- 5 Term.
- 6 Followed.
- 9 Easy.
- 11 Artist's stand.
- 12 Ventured.
- 14 Dwell.
- 15 Compare.
- 16 Freedom from strife.
- 18 Piercing cry.
- 19 Cardboard container.
- 22 Shelf.
- 23 Saltpetre.
- 24 Gets nearer.
- 25 Shut violently.

Yesterday's Crossword
Across—1 Priest, 5 Pinch, 8 Learn, 9 Attain, 10 Essay, 11 Mass, 12 Fury, 13 Inane, 14 Slides, 15 Scheme, 20 Motre, 22 Sile, 23 Elder, 24 Treat, 25 Reared, 27 Terms, 28 Alter, 29 Enlisted.
Down—1 Platform, 2 Interest, 3 Seal.

MANILA MARKET DISPUTE

Manila, July 13.

Mayor Manuel de la Fuente today urged Filipino vendors to pool their resources in a co-operative effort and take over not only the retail trade but eventually the wholesale business from alien merchants.

Inaugurating Manila's Central Market, which was primarily established to accommodate vendors ousted from pavements and streets, Mayor de la Fuente said Filipino vendors should take advantage of the Government decision to nationalise the retail trade. He deplored the fact that many vendors took goods on consignment from alien merchants and thus acted only as middlemen.

The Mayor promised the co-operation of the Government and the Philippine Chamber of Commerce to Filipino Importers in the organisation of a firm by the vendors themselves.—United Press.

Ulster Celebrates

Belfast, July 12.

Messages from Orange Institutions all over the world, supporting Northern Ireland's constitution as part of the United Kingdom, reached Belfast today for the traditional 12th of July demonstrations.

The Grand Lodges of Canada, Newfoundland, Australia and the United States have pledged their cooperation in the campaign against interference by Eire in Northern Ireland affairs.

Nearly 25,000 men marched in the rain to a meeting at Fingado here, where the Deputy Grand Master, Senator Joseph Cunningham, said that the Order had recruited thousands of young men in the past year.

The enthusiasm of the assemblies was regarded as a reply to the recent attempts to reopen the question of Irish partition.—Reuter.

BOILED TO DEATH

Tokyo, July 13.

Yasuko Takahashi, 21, walking along a road in the hot springs village of Onikubi, stopped on weak ground and dropped into a spring and was boiled to death. The mishap occurred in Miyagi Prefecture, 200 miles north of Tokyo. Apparently, an underground spring weakened the surface.—Associated Press.



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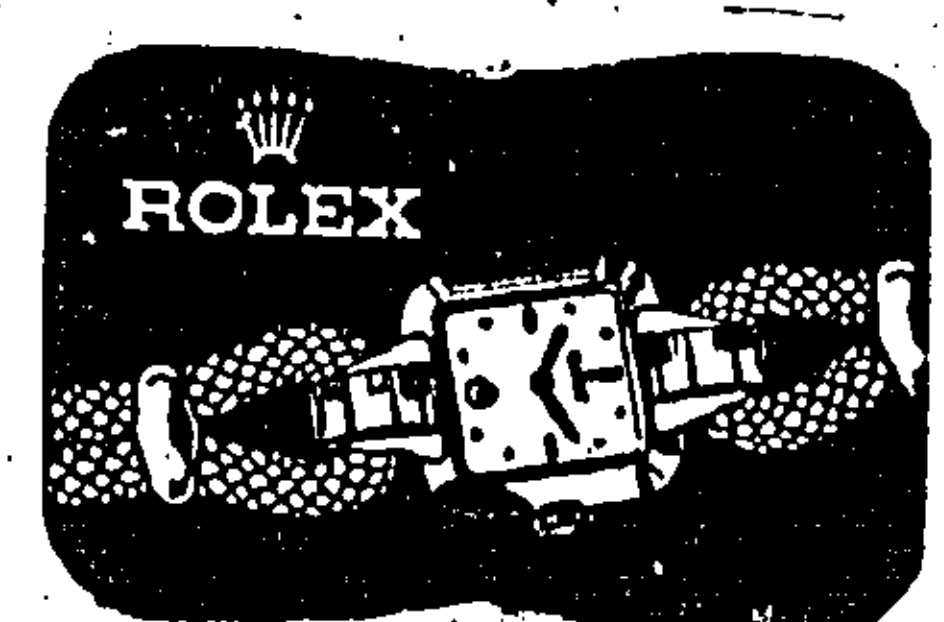
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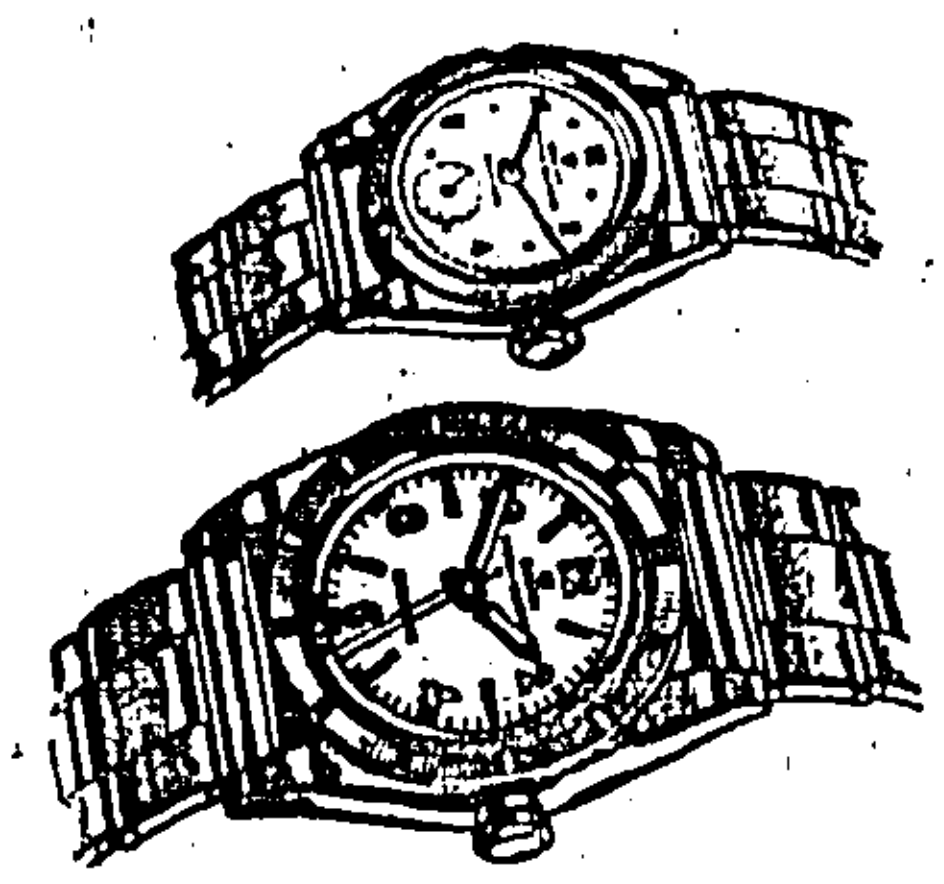
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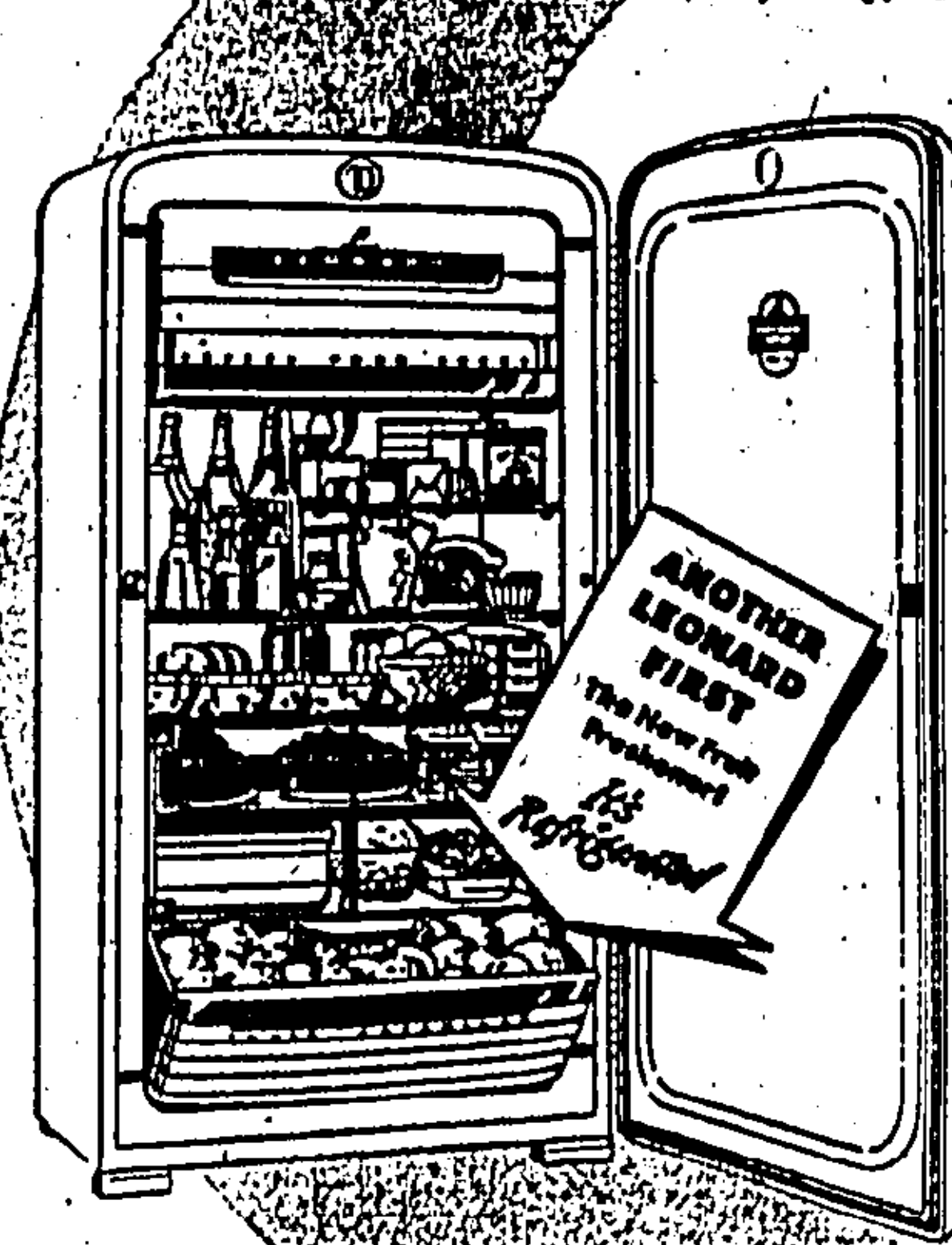
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BRITISH AIR SERVICES INTO FRANCE CANCELLED

AIRPORT WORKERS ON STRIKE

Paris, July 12.

British European Airways were reported tonight to have cancelled all services into strike-bound France tomorrow because of a stoppage by air security workers.

A company official made the announcement as the air security services, in which the Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labour claims about 1,200 members out of 1,500, were stopping work for an unlimited period from 9.00 p.m. local time tonight.

All planes in the air tonight will be taken care of by the security services.

The BEA manager in France, Colonel F. G. Carr, said: "The strike is expected to begin at 9.00 p.m. (local time) tonight. It affects the men who look after the security of planes in flight. As a result, we have cancelled all incoming services to France during tomorrow."

"Tomorrow afternoon we are meeting the French Ministry of Air and we hope that arrangements will be made for the military to take over the security work and allow a restricted emergency service to begin on Wednesday."

Colonel Carr said BEA was cancelling the last plane out from London tonight, but the last plane out from Paris would leave.

The Istanbul service from London, which leaves there at midnight, has been cancelled as the plane normally lands at Marseilles on the first stage of its flight.

Hong Kong Planes Re-Routed

The Madrid service from London tomorrow will not be cancelled.

Air France services from London are also affected. An official of Transworld Airways at Orly Airport said the strike would not affect their flights as an emergency relief security service would be in operation.

British Overseas Airways long-distance flying boats, flying via Marseilles to Hong Kong, are being re-routed and plans are being made to re-route the London-Cairo service.

The General Secretariat of the French Civil Aviation earlier tonight sent a notice to air line companies to inform navigators that there was a risk of the security services stopping and that certain alternative arrangements were being made, including possible diversion of planes to military airfields.

The air security strike would affect radio and other services in France and the whole of the French Union, particularly North, East and West Africa.

It was reported from The Hague that the Royal Dutch Airlines (KLM) has suspended its Paris services. The KLM plane due to

arrive at Amsterdam late tonight will not leave Paris until tomorrow morning.

More Walk Out
The Headquarters of the Public Works and Transport Union of the Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labour announced tonight that bridge, roadway and interior navigation workers would start a 24-hour nationwide strike tomorrow.

A spokesman of the non-Communist Labour Force, to which is affiliated the rival union of Public Works and Transport, said they would decide after tonight's Cabinet meeting whether their men would also strike tomorrow.

Another Labour Force union, the Federation of General Administrators, decided to ask its members to stop work at 1 p.m. GMT tomorrow if their pay demands were not met.

This Union includes the staff of prefectures and sub-prefectures of services departments, and of services outside Paris of the Ministries of Ex-Servicemen's Affairs, Health, Interior, Justice, and the Under-Secretariat for German Affairs.

One and a half million French civil servants were awaiting word from the Cabinet which will decide whether or not they will join the 70,000 already on strike for higher pay.

Government Firm

The Government were due to announce today details of their plan for reclassifying wages and salaries, drafted before the weekend, as tension arose with the mounting cost of living.

The Premier, M. Robert Schuman, has quoted figures to show that prices have not risen in the way the strikers allege, reaffirmed his policy of refusing general wage increases, and declared the Cabinet would not give in to pressure.

Customs officials were on strike today at the Franco-Italian border post of Port St. Louis, through which competitors in the 14-day Tour de France bicycle race were to pass today, according to reports from Nice.

Travellers from Switzerland and Belgium were taking full advantage of the absence of customs control to bring over the frontier large quantities of dutiable or prohibited goods.—Reuter.

NO AMERICAN FOODS FOR BRITAIN

London, July 12.

Mr. John Strachey, Minister of Food, said today that even with ERP there is no hope of a sudden resumption of food purchases in the United States.

He said: "All ERP can do is enable us to pay for our foodstuffs from Canada and perhaps purchase a few foodstuffs in the United States—cheese for example—not readily available elsewhere."

"But even there is only to fill the gap in quantities available from Canada. It is not a net increase. In the coming year, the food problem will be in the balance of payments—not what we can get, but what we can pay for."

Mr. Strachey believed the world food prospect is improving. He said cereals are not so short as six to nine months ago while twice as much rice is moving in international trade as a year ago.

He said that the Government has reached a series of "useful arrangements" with Australia.

New Angle On Japan

Manila, July 12.

Contrary to current criticism in China and to a certain extent in the Philippines, SCAP is not trying to "build up Japan," Mr. John P. Davies was reported here today to have told a Manila reporter.

Mr. Davies, who arrived in Manila on July 7, is a member of the policy-making board of the American State Department and one of five advisers to Mr. George C. Marshall, the Secretary of State and author of the Marshall Plan.—Reuter.

CONSUL-GENERAL DEAD

Stuttgart, July 12.

Mr. A. Dana Hodgdon, the United States Consul General at Stuttgart, died of a heart attack today on his way home from his office, according to the German news agency, DENA.

Mr. Hodgdon, who was 58, joined the United States Foreign Service 25 years ago. He served at Prague, Moscow, Berlin, Naples, Rome and Riga.—Reuter.

Situation Can't Be Accepted

Istanbul, July 12.

The United States Under-Secretary for War, William H. Draper, said today that the situation in Berlin is one which cannot be accepted.

The three Western powers must be and are in unanimous agreement upon a "firm stand," Mr. Draper added at a press conference at Ankara before leaving by plane for Istanbul.

Mr. Draper was accompanied by Lieutenant General Albert C. Wedemeyer, Director of Plans and Operations on General Staff's staff, and other officers who arrived on Sunday to survey progress of the United States aid programme in Turkey.

Asked to comment on Berlin, Mr. Draper said, "A situation where a political power makes 2,600,000 persons suffer for political purposes cannot be accepted. A firm stand must be taken and when I was in Berlin I personally saw that the three governments are in unanimous agreement on a firm stand."—Associated Press.

THREE CRUCIAL YEARS FOR BRITISH PEOPLE

London, July 12.

The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. J. B. Chifley, said tonight that the "next three years may very well be the most crucial in the history of the British people."

In a broadcast over the BBC relayed to the Australian Broadcasting networks, Mr. Chifley said that Australia would do all in her power to help Britain during the trying times ahead.

Just back from a flying visit to Berlin, he said that he was able to get a first-hand picture of the "very difficult position" there.

"Economic and political problems of a character never before encountered in our history, have to be faced daily," he said. "There is little respite from them."

Mr. Chifley said that the object of his visit to Britain was to obtain and give a clear understanding of the economic difficulties that confronted the people of Britain and Australia.

Hard Going.

"We want to determine, as well as circumstances will permit, our joint policies for the future. I say to my own people that the path is not easy going but hard, and will continue to be hard."

"Australians know that our future is linked with Britain, not only by ties of race and kinship, but because of hard practical reasons."

Mr. Chifley said that he believed much could be done in Australia to expand production of beef and dairy products and wheat.

Referring to the British emigration to Australia, he said: "Fullest understanding exists between the respective Governments on that matter."

Only the lack of shipping and the acute housing shortage in Australia is holding up the scheme, he said.—United Press.

MISSIONARY KILLED IN MANCHURIA

Vatican City, July 12.

Word has reached the Vatican of the killing somewhere in Manchuria of Father Alfred Marie Caubriere, a missionary sent out by the Paris Seminary for Foreign Missions.

Vatican advisers also quoted refugees from Manchuria reaching Peiping as saying that 20 other priests, nuns and lay brothers, most of them Canadian, are held prisoner in the residences at Szepeingai.

They were arrested last February when Communist forces captured the town.—Associated Press.

Experts' Tour In Shansi

Peiping, July 13.

Important recommendations towards America's problem of economic aid to China are expected to result from a tour by two members of the survey section of the ECA.

The pair, Paul Parker and James Grant, visited Taiyuan, capital of Shansi, where they conferred with Governor Yen Hsi-shan, and inspected locomotive works, steel, cotton and power plants.

Then they went yesterday to Mukden and are expected to return to Peiping today. They will be flying to Shanghai on Wednesday to report the results of their inquiry.—Associated Press.

DANUBE TALKS

London, July 12.

Austria has accepted Marshal Tito's invitation, issued in the name of the Big Four, to attend the Danube Conference in Belgrade on July 30 "in a consultative capacity." It was learned from an authoritative Austrian source in London tonight.

Austria had earlier been regarded as the only one of the countries bordering on the Danube whose acceptance of the invitation was doubtful.—Reuter.

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Supreme Court Justice Refuses To Run

SENATOR BARKLEY FAVOURED

Philadelphia, July 12.

Justice William O. Douglas stepped out of the Democratic Party Vice-Presidential picture and Senator Alben Barkley of Kentucky came to the front as the 30th Democratic National Convention began in Philadelphia.

Justice Douglas, designated as President Harry Truman's first choice, declined to leave the Supreme Court and make the race.

As delegates convened at 10.15 GMT for the first session, word circulated in the convention hall that Barkley may get the Administration's call on a ticket certain to be headed by President Truman.

Southern United States delegates who planned to fight Mr. Douglas if he ran, generally reacted favourably to reports that Barkley may now be the choice.

Senator J. William Fulbright, Arkansas, said he thinks most Southern delegates, rebelling against President Truman's civil rights programme which curtails discrimination against negroes, would approve Senator Barkley's choice.

Governor Earle Clements, of Kentucky, said that the name of Senator Barkley will definitely be placed in the nomination for the Vice-Presidency.

Barkley's Request

Governor Clements said in a statement that Barkley will

not authorize a campaign and has asked that there be none on his behalf. "Despite this, I intend to place him in nomination," Governor Clements said.

Justice Douglas told reporters that he would not accept a Vice-Presidential nomination.

Justice Douglas declared in a statement: "I am not available for any public office." He said he felt that "no person, while a member of the Supreme Court, should seek political preferment."

Fifteen hundred Democratic Party delegates are meeting in the same hall where, last month, the Republicans chose Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York State as the man to break the Democrats' 16 years of unbroken power.

Many Democrats were convinced that Mr. Dewey would defeat Mr. Harry S. Truman, today's President and the most likely man to be picked when the Convention gets down to

Enquiry Into Air Crash

London, July 12.

Lord Pakenham, Minister of Civil Aviation, announced tonight that there would be a public court of enquiry into the loss of the Swedish Sky-master airliner and the Royal Air Force York aircraft which both crashed at Northwood, near London, on July 4 with the loss of 39 lives.

The announcement added that preliminary investigations are taking place and that a further announcement will give the composition of the court of enquiry and the date on which the formal hearings will be opened.—Reuter.

..... voting for their candidate later in the week.

In the resulting atmosphere of gloom, the keenest interest lay in the choice of running mate for the post of Vice-President, from which Mr. Truman stepped into the highest office when the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt died.

The Vice-Presidential candidate is expected to become leader of the Democratic Party if Mr. Truman retires.

G.O.P. Attacked

Senator Barkley made the keynote address when the Convention opened.

He attacked the Republican record on foreign affairs, but paid tribute to two Republicans—Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Representative Charles E. McNary, of New Jersey, of the House Foreign Affairs Group.

"They made great contributions to the European recovery plan," Senator Barkley declared.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Bombing Raid Over Himalayas

London, July 12.

Flying over 20,000-foot Nanga Parbat, one of the highest peaks in the Himalayas, aircraft of the Royal Indian Air Force have carried out their first air attack on the Kashmir raiders' military installations in Gilgit, New Delhi Radio said tonight.

Gilgit, a mountainous tract of Kashmir to the north of the upper Indus, has been regarded as the nerve centre of raider infiltration from the north.

The Gilgit Agency, leased from Kashmir by the British and handed over to Kashmir State representatives on Aug. 15, last by the British Political Agent, was in November reported to have passed out of Kashmir's control.

A large lashkar (armed column) of tribesmen from Swat State, further west, entered Gilgit and forced Kashmir State troops to retire to the Kashmir border further south.—Reuter.

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—The Boston Promenade Orchestra.

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1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.15 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—From the Shave.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.01 p.m.—Children's Half Hour: "The Black Abbot" by G.E. White.

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6.40 p.m.—Wednesday Serenade.
7.00 p.m.—"It's in the Air" Variety Request Programme Presented by Susan Howard.

8.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—"Brief Encounter". An Adaptation by Maurice Hornsford of the Film Story by Noel Coward. Produced by Rex Tucker. (BBCS).

9.15 p.m.—Vocal Recital by Margaret Stuart (BBCS) with Piano accompaniment by Donald Fraser. (Stalls).
9.30 p.m.—"Take your Choice".

10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.15 p.m.—Ravens and Landscapes on Two Planes.
10.30 p.m.—"Music for You". Gershwin Concert Orch. with the Choir (ORBS).

11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Jamming Of Radio Broadcast

Washington, July 12.

State Department officials reported today that "Voice of America" broadcasts to the Far East and Russia are currently free from jamming "for the first time in several months."

Squeals and howls started plaguing Russian-language programmes in March and continued through June.

The Soviet Foreign Office, in response to an American protest, said Russia was not to blame for the interference.

The State Department and other Government agencies, however, traced the origin of the trouble to a Siberian point roughly 5,000 miles east of Moscow.

"Jamming" earlier this year started about 11 GMT when the "Voice" began its daily half hour programme of world news and features to Russia's eastern expanses. Soviet language programmes beamed to Western Russia have not met with undue interference since they began over 16 months ago.—United Press.

500-YEAR-OLD BIBLE BOUGHT

London, July 12.

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S. Q 10 3
H. K Q 3
D. A Q J 2
C. 9 6

S. J 4
H. 8 2
D. 10 8 7
C. Q 7 5
4 3 2

S. A K 7 6
H. A 9 8 5
D. K 6 3
C. 10 8

(Dealer: South. Neither side vulnerable).

1. S Pass 3 D Pass
2. S Pass 3 S Pass

At Table 1, the North-South pair did not consider anything an absolute force to game except a jump in a new suit, so 3-Spades North would not have been strong enough to show positively that a game contract should be reached. If South had a minimum. At Table 2, such a

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The bidding at Table 1 practically obliged West to lead the only unbid suit, clubs. As a consequence, the defenders got the first two tricks and the declarer only one trick.

The defenders at Table 2 knew nothing about what were their opponents' side suits. West therefore had to lead in complete darkness. Hearts not having been bid, he reckoned that a major suit was a little more likely to be his partner's than the minor clubs. So he opened the heart 8. After winning that, South scored three tricks in spades, two more in hearts, ruffed a heart and on the diamonds discarded a club, so that he took all but one trick, beating the other North-South pair because of better bidding, not better play.

Tomorrow's Problem

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H. 8 7
D. A K Q 10 7
C. 6 4

S. A 6
H. 10 9 7
D. 4 2
C. K J 8 3

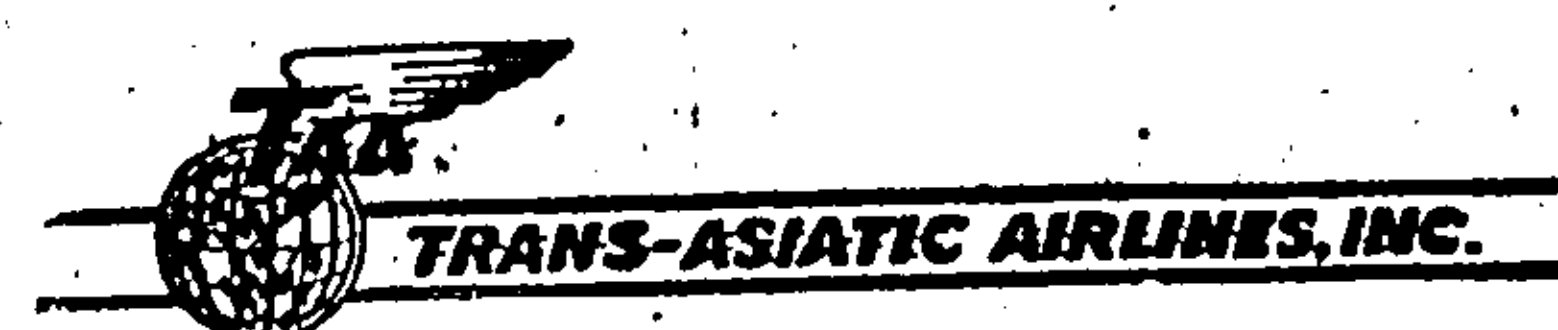
S. K Q J
H. A K 5
D. 6 3
C. A Q 10 7 2

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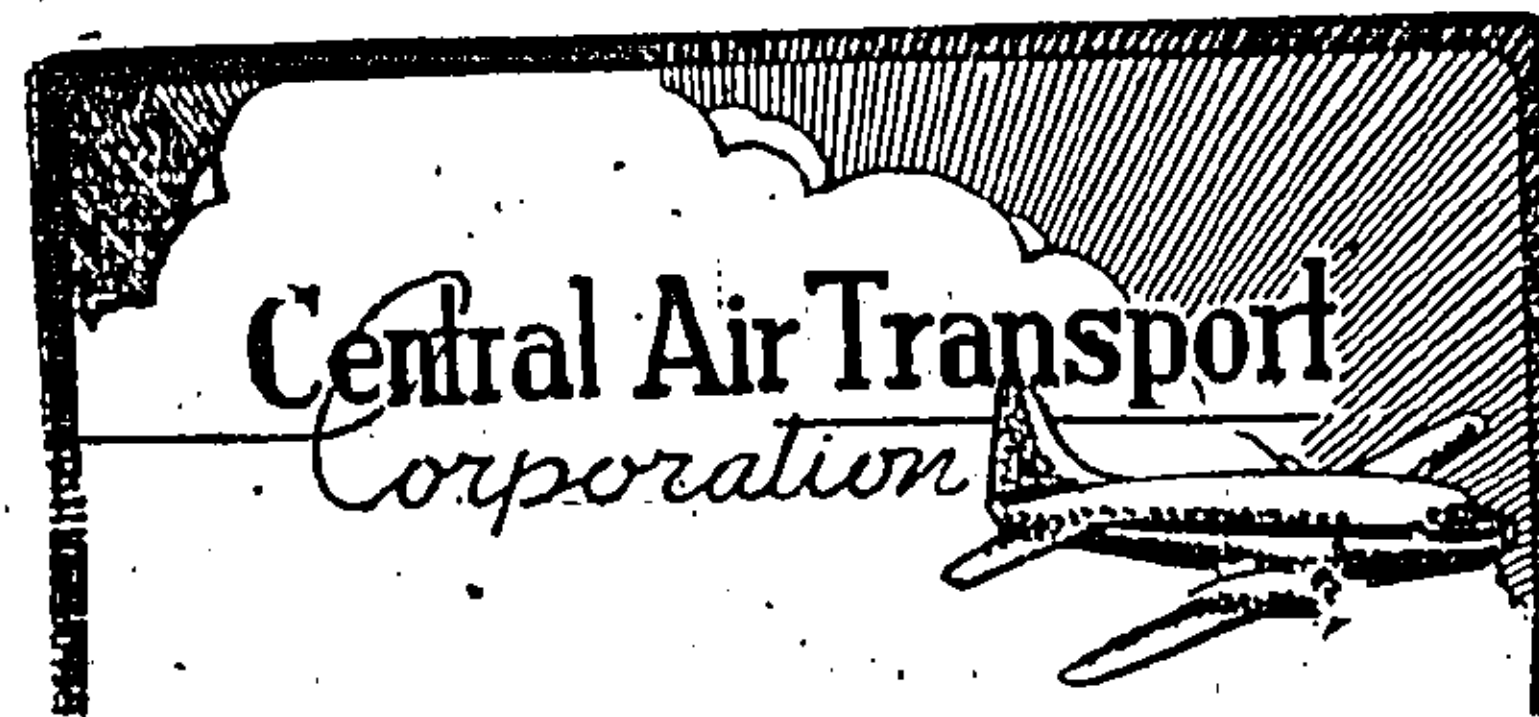
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EUROPEAN SECURITY

Little has so far been disclosed of the progress of the conversations which began on Tuesday in Washington concerning the association of the U.S.A. and Canada with the new West European security system. The Treaty of Brussels, with its mutual pledge between the five signatories to come to the aid of any one of them who may be the object of an armed attack in Europe—was in itself a landmark.

In the immediate development of the European situation it is an unhappy landmark. After the war it was assumed in Western countries that the Fascist Powers having been annihilated, there was no longer the danger of a major aggression: except the distant possibility of a revival of German or Japanese militarism. And it was assumed also that any minor aggression could, before it became a wider menace, be promptly and effectively dealt with by the United Nations Organisation.

Both postulates have proved too dubious for safety. Soviet political aggressiveness has been so marked that no government can have absolute confidence that the Soviet Union would, if chances appeared favourable, abstain from military aggression. Nobody assumes a Soviet aggression is certain, even probable, but nobody dares any longer to rule it out of all calculation as a risk against which no precaution need be taken. Nor does U.N.O. provide any safeguard. For it would be unable if only because of the "veto" to take any action whatever against aggression either by the Soviet Union or any of its client states.

Hence the Treaty of Brussels. Its military clauses only operate in the event of attack. It is application in a limited field of that concept of collective security which only too clearly has now no general application. Its purpose is not only to meet attack should it come, but to be a deterrent to any thought of overrunning the Western democracies by attacking and defeating them one by one.

And it may be noted as also a historical landmark that this is the first time in her long history of connection with continental Europe that Great Britain has in advance accepted such far-reaching obligations.

But it was obvious from the beginning that the new defensive system would be vastly more effective as a deterrent of aggression if it were known to have the support of the vast power—military and economic—of the United States and the British Commonwealth.

For Britain to accept defence commitments on the continent, except in very limited and particular circumstances, is an innovation. For the United States to do so is a revolutionary change. Canning's famous but flashy phrase about calling in the New World to redress the balance of the Old, has at last a real meaning—and one which he certainly did not foresee.

And the importance of the Washington talks is this: that the discussion is not on any question of so-called "principle," but questions of ways and means. The people of the United States, like the people of the United Kingdom

No Presidential Election Can Immobilise America

The Americans would like the Russians to know that the newest look now on display at the political fashion shows here is ultra-internationalist. Reading the news from Berlin and Prague, they fear that the Soviet did not learn the Philadelphia lesson well, if it learned it at all.

Perhaps the Kremlin has no clothes sense, but pattern books can be sent if necessary. It is true that not every U.S. citizen is wearing the latest look yet, but Tom Dewey appears so smart and neat and efficient in the garment designed at Philadelphia, that only the drabs and dachas are holding out against the dictates of the experts.

President Truman, of course, has been garbed in the newest look for some time, though the material not of the best quality. These two, the leaders of the Republican Party and the Democratic Party, have recently been exchanging insults and will exchange more, but there is unity between them so far as policy toward Russia is concerned.

No Presidential election can or will immobilise the United States. Now that Governor Dewey is all fitted out and ready to go—the last isolationist remnant shed—the present Administration on the Russian issue, just as Mr. Churchill has pledged his support of the Labour Government.

Big Developments
There have been big developments in American political life during the past few days and they spell good news for Western Europe and warning news for Russia.

The way the Presidential campaign is shaping it seems likely the two big rival parties will soon be engaged in outbidding each other in championing the international co-operation and dispensers of gold and goods for European recovery.

Russian mischief is one big reason for this expansive opening of American eyes and arms. The policy pattern planned at Philadelphia is the other.

In just two weeks we will all be back in the Convention city again, this time for the nomination of the Democratic candidate—almost certainly President Truman on the first ballot. Not many are looking forward to the event with any enthusiasm, and there is an outcry among the public and some newspapers against the artificial hokum, the circus and carnival atmosphere of these party get-togethers.

Sections of last week's Mardi Gras in a madhouse bored the American people, who feel they have outgrown snake dances by substitute savages, car wrecks, and carousing, war whoops and whoopee.

Television has exposed the demerited demonstrations as phoney dom, have understood—as, strangely, governments of some European democracies still flinch from understanding—that safety for democracy is only to be had by collective action: and that there is nothing more dangerous than to shrink from collective responsibility.

The "Vandenberg" resolution in the United States Senate has accepted the new principle, that the United States may be "associated" with regional groups and arrangements devised for the safeguarding of peace.

The Washington conversations turn to practical problems. In what way can that association be made with the "Western Union" group? What economic aid can be given to their preparedness? What pledges can be given, on what conditions and in what circumstances, of armed aid in case it should be required?

Now these are big and complex questions, which will not be solved rapidly or lightly or in a single group of conversations. The answering of them involves not only momentous political issues but intricate and complex technical problems.

The conception of the United Nations was wider on paper more attractive. But the aim of "universalism" proved—as, ironically enough, M. Litvinov used tirelessly to argue in Geneva—a fatal weakness.

This new association which is coming into existence promises to be stronger than either, because it has not only a massive physical strength but a real unity of aim and purpose.

and futile, and the people crave dignity and decorum. New York has taken the Dewey victory somewhat cynically, and there is the harsh crack heard around town: "We are going to get rid of the haberdasher, but we are turning the store over to a model out of the window."

The boom, bigger and better than ever, is the main conversation topic. Its proportions are now massive. It is a Brobdingnagian boom.

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Almost everyone, except, of course, the visiting British, seems to be wearing new clothes—tropical Palm Beach, seersucker, linen, and gabardine—new Panamas and coconut straws, new sports brogues.

Right Feet
For the rest, Wall Street thrives, the new British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, has started on the right foot (both on the ground), the baseball wonder man, Babe Ruth, is very ill again in hospital, the best-selling book is "How to Stop Worrying and Start Living" by Dale Carnegie, the weather is atrocious, the worst spring and early summer in history, Times square is now such a jungle of blazing neon tubes that smoked glasses are necessary even in day-time, and women are, going around bare-shouldered, bare-backed, and sometimes bare midriffed. The city is barefaced Babylon.

Hollywood is still muttering menacingly. There have now been about half a dozen meetings among top producers, all protesting against the British 45 per cent quota.

The conferences have sizzled with indignation, but no action has been decided upon. Film chiefs here are even more angry with the French for slapping a 65 per cent tax on American pictures.

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WASHINGTON SCENE

By Alastair Forbes

Just before I went to Washington from New York there landed on his return from an extended European trip Mr. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, the owner and publisher of the New York Times.

Mr. Sulzberger expressed his growing concern about the news-print shortage in Europe and made the plain statement, with which no sensible Englishman could possibly disagree, that the British public is lamentably ill-informed about world affairs.

He did not, alas, propose effective counter-measures, and I fear that it will be a long time before Fleet Street finds a Hitler who will lead a fight for more vital schreibensraum.

Mr. Vandenberg is now back in Washington, and in daily touch with the State Department in all matters of high policy, so that Mr. Truman's reluctance to admit the Dewey-Dulles team to the inner councils and thus reveal his expectations of probable defeat are not affecting him.

It is well to remember that this happy situation would not have occurred if the Senator had been drafted as a candidate. Between the State Department and Mr. Vandenberg will be occupied in working out with the Administration and Congress leaders a programme giving legislative effect to the so-called Vandenberg resolution, which accords the principle of United States participation in regional alliances and groupings.

Agreed Programme
Such an agreed programme would be placed before Congress next January and give a flying start to the new Presidential terms. To draft a programme which brings such a startling change to American thought in changeable terms will not be easy. But it will, in the result, show the measure of Mr. Dewey's power over the more reactionary elements in his party.

Few people even including all the many who find the Dewey personality so markedly antipathetic, doubt that the Dewey-Warren combination would bring good government to this country, but there is a powerful uncertainty about the behaviour of a powerful happy Republican Congress.

In the Washington offices and bureaux the chief subject of conversation of course is the great sweep which will begin next year if the Republicans gain their expected victory.

There is rather more alarm on this subject than is called for. Mr. Dewey is so definitely not a man to tolerate such a high place that we can count on him not to pay his political debts in a manner prejudicial to his country's prestige.

By Inference
In so far as promises have been made, they have been made by inference and, following the technique so successfully practised by D. Roosevelt, it has been suggested here, for instance, that Mr. Lewis Douglas will probably be succeeded at the American Embassy in London by Mr. Harold Talbot, a New Yorker responsible for raising an important part of Mr. Dewey's nomination campaign fund.

A touch of colour has been given to this story by the news that his wife has been in London staying in the Douglas house and has been looking over the place with a view to taking over the place.

I doubt very much if Mr. Dewey would consider sending Douglas to London in the wake of such notorious Anglophobia as the Talbotts, of whom it is not even known for certain that they are our full-blooded friends. Nor is it likely that Mr. Dulles would give his stamp of approval to such an appointment.

Another interesting question concerns the future of Mr. Stassen, whose followers, still faithful, are determined that he shall be heard from again.

At present he plans to take a university appointment, following the Eisenhower precedent. But there is a plot afoot to offer him the Proconsulship in Germany. This is a job which he would perform with brilliance and efficiency, though he would probably disturb Mr. Bevin's sleep a good deal.

In The Backwoods
But by the time the next Convention came round he would

find himself in a position uncommonly like General MacArthur's at the last, or, at any rate unable to mend his fences at home.

Meanwhile, Mr. Truman continues to keep his feet well above the ground and to radiate the sublimest confidence in his chances of re-election. He is counting on a series of campaigning mistakes by his Republican opponents and hoping that they will get into a tangle over issues like price controls, though it is difficult to conceive of them getting into such a mess on this very topic as the President himself.

The Democrats are still feverishly hunting for an alternative candidate and their low morale is evidenced by the new spate of mass-produced rumours. Eisenhower has given a decisive "No," and it would seem unlikely, too, that there is much chance of obtaining the nomination of Mr. Justice Douglas, who is anyway less anxious to expose himself to electoral defeat than Mr. Truman.

But the Democrats are seriously considering a break with precedent by putting Senator O'Mahoney of Wyoming on the ticket as candidate for Vice-President. Senator O'Mahoney is a Catholic and, as such, like Jews and Negroes, he is by firm though unwritten custom barred from completing that over-advertised journey from log cabin to White House, although it will be remembered that Al Smith very nearly made it on one occasion.

Despairing Democrats no doubt hope that to raise the Catholic issue at this time might provide the sort of smokescreen behind which Truman might slip back to the White House, but it seems a forlorn hope.

Elusive Master Key To Polio

New York, July 12. Professor Herbert J. Seddon, Nuffield professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Oxford University, told the first International Poliomyelitis Conference, which opened here today, that no country in the world could afford to ignore the waste of time, effort and money resulting from infantile paralysis.

But he added, there was no indication that the master key to the disease would be found in the near future. He urged the creation of a "General Staff" in areas where epidemics recur with frequency, and said that in Britain last summer "those of us whose responsibilities were local, and therefore, more direct, found it difficult to bring in routine duties in order to tackle our first real epidemic of poliomyelitis."

"The cost of the outbreak in Great Britain must have been prodigious," he said. During the week, 2,000 doctors and health authorities representing 35 countries, with discussion of the effects of infantile paralysis and methods of control. The exhibits today were a new chemical that increases resistance to infantile paralysis and a generator that provides an electric nerve to exercise paralysed muscles.—Reuter.

DR. FISHER'S MESSAGE
London, July 12. Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, has sent a message of good will and congratulations to his beatitude, Elexy, Patriarch of Moscow and all Russia, on the 600th anniversary of the autonomous Russian Orthodox Church. Writing on behalf of 22 bishops of the Anglican Communion meeting in London at the Lambeth Conference, he said: "The history of your church is a splendid one and it has made signal contributions to the life of Christendom through the many centuries of its existence."—Associated Press.

PEIPING TROUBLES CONTINUING

Peiping, July 13. Between 500 and 600 members of an anti-Communist vanguard broke into the campus of the Tsinghua University and staged an anti-Red demonstration there today.

They left after seven hours. No violence attended the visit. Students of the University, angered by the incident, petitioned its President to take steps to assure their security. Earlier, a stormy three and a half hour discussion on the above subject took place, and almost all blows between two officials present.

Some of these present at the meeting daily stated that the 200th Division was responsible and demanded the commander's resignation and the court-martialing of the battalion commander in charge of troops at the incident.

Others insisted the responsibility should first be fixed. During a brief exchange, Liu Li-shan, member of the Advisory Yuan, pointed out the able and called Liu Li-shan, member of the Legislative Yuan, a "mixed-up fool."

Others present prevented the two from coming to blows and the meeting adjourned without making any decision.—Associated Press.

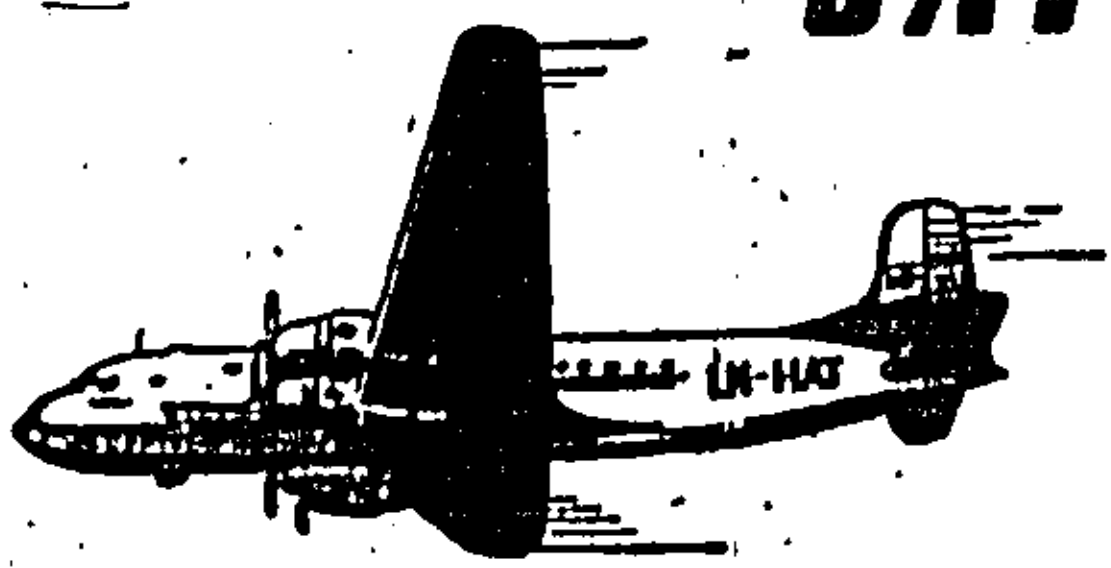
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British C-in-C Asks Reinforcements

General Robertson Calls At The Palace

Berlin, July 12.

The British and Soviet Military Governors are returning to Berlin tomorrow with new instructions as the blockade

stalemate enters its third week.

General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Commander-in-Chief, was reported to have asked for troops and plane reinforcements at a meeting of the Chiefs of Staff in London today. He flew over yesterday to thrash out German problems with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and will fly back to the German capital tomorrow to resume command.

Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky, the Soviet Commander-in-Chief, also returns to Berlin tomorrow from Moscow talks with his Foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov.

A War Office spokesman in London categorically denied press reports that Britain had already decided to reinforce the British Zone of Germany or Berlin. Political quarters here consider that the despatch of additional troops would not be undertaken without Cabinet approval.

Answering a question in the House of Commons, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, refused to give any undertaking that Britain would make no further military commitments until Parliament has had a chance to discuss any such proposals.

Mr. Mayhew said this was not required by any established constitutional practice and he could not bind the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, to any such undertaking.

General Robertson, who is on a two-day crisis visit to London, gave the Foreign and Defence Ministers first hand accounts of the Berlin blockade, as the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, reported to the Cabinet.

General Robertson, who returns to besieged Berlin tomorrow, to resume on the spot command, will talk over the situation with Mr. Bevin again tonight.

Report To King

King George today received a complete first hand report on the Berlin crisis from General Robertson.

General Robertson called at Buckingham Palace after his talks with the Chiefs of Staff and before a long survey of his problems with Mr. Bevin.

The problem of coordinating Britain's military plans in Western Germany and West Berlin with those of the United States and France is being studied personally by Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

Viscount Montgomery, after top level talks with the French Chief of Staff in Paris, went on to Vienna yesterday to inspect the disposition of British military forces in Austria.

He may pass through Germany on his way back to Britain. A War Office spokesman said he could make no comment on Viscount Montgomery's movements beyond the fact that he would not return for some days.

Mapping Out Moves

Lively diplomatic activity today indicated how moves by the Western powers in the Berlin crisis.

An American Army representative in Frankfurt said no reinforcements are contemplated of US forces in Germany. General Lucius D. Clay, the American Military Governor, said recently he had not requested any additional troops for Germany.

Allied political sources in Berlin indicated that the next Western move is being mapped in the event that Moscow repulses the Russian or fails to answer the American, British and French demands for the lifting of the Soviet blockade. The notes of the Soviet blockade. The notes of the Soviet blockade. The notes of the Soviet blockade.

Lewis W. Douglas, American Ambassador to Britain, held a last-minute conference here with General Clay before returning to London, where he will meet General Robertson.

Railway To Reopen?

The British-licensed news agency quoted Hans Besener, General Director of railways in the Russian zone of Germany,

as saying the Helmsdorf-Berlin line would be put in running order shortly.

The Russians closed the line at the outset of the blockade because of "technical damage."

Besener said a number of rail tracks had been worn out by long service. He said a work train and all available men would be put to work on the line.

Meanwhile, three days after the Russians announced new restrictions for highway travel from Berlin, west-bound Allied automobiles still were passing freely through the Helmsdorf checkpoint.

British and American officials said no official notification of the new curb had been received from the Russians.

"Fateful Week"

The measure would require Allied travellers to possess Soviet travel permits and would subject vehicle to search by Soviet guards.

"This may be a fateful week for Britain and the world," the Conservative Daily Graphic in London said editorially. "This has been the most critical week-

CALWELL REJECTS ASIATIC QUOTA

Canberra, July 12.

The Immigration Minister, Arthur A. Calwell, today rejected suggestions that Australia admit Asiatics under her quota system.

A bulletin issued by his department said:

"It is doubtful whether any quota figure would satisfy any Asiatic nation, and once the doors to Australia are opened for permanent residence of small quotas of Asiatics, continued pressure would be exerted to permit large numbers to reside permanently in this country."

Calwell avoided using the term, "White Australia Policy," but the statement amounted to a defence of it. He said Australia's immigration policy is "based on the concept of a nation with homogeneous European populations, free from the tensions and complexities which beset countries with mixed populations."

The Minister criticized "foreign-inspired propaganda which is aimed at the destruction of Australia's immigration policy."

Conquest By Infiltration

He said the latest attacks were "irresponsible outbursts of European-owned newspapers in Malaysia and the Netherlands East Indies."

THE CROSER SLIPPED

Guildford, July 12. A crack of the head from his crozier halted the speech of the Bishop of Guildford today. Bishop of Guildford today. Bishop of Guildford today. Bishop of Guildford today.

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GERMAN UNIONS OBJECT

Duesseldorf, July 12.

Trade unions in the British Zone of Germany today attacked the latest Allied orders for the dismantling of Ruhr factories as "economic nonsense," saying it appeared to be "destruction for destruction's sake."

In a statement issued through the Executive Committee of the British Zone Federation of Trade Unions, they declared that Ruhr workers would not accept the destruction of their factories or help such destruction in any way.

The statement also protested against alleged delays in nationalising the Ruhr's iron and steel industries, which was "essential to future security and world peace."

It accused "German and foreign interests" of this. A few hours earlier the Employers Federation of the Ruhr Steel Industry had described the dismantling policy as "opposed to the Marshall Plan and the reconstruction of Europe."

They said they would withdraw their representatives from the joint British-German Dismantling Committee to show their disapproval.—Reuter.

LAST OF THE POLES

London, July 13.

Britain's Secretary of War, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, informed the House of Commons today that Polish soldiers still serving with the British forces, about 100 in all, will be discharged from the service by the end of this month.

These are the Poles who have decided against returning home and against joining the Polish Resettlement Corps, an organisation set up to help them find new jobs and new homes.

Since the war's end approximately 8,000 have returned home, 5,000 have immigrated to other lands, 5,000 have found jobs in factories and on farms here and another 500 have either died or disappeared. About 20,000 remain in the Resettlement Corps.—Associated Press.

Ex-Governor's Appointment

London, July 12.

Lord Milverton, a retired veteran of the Colonial Service, was appointed to the Board of the Colonial Development Corporation today.

Lord Milverton, formerly Sir Arthur Richards, was made a Baron last year. He entered the Malayan Civil Service in 1908 and, after holding various posts in Kelantan and Kedah, rose to Under-Secretary of the Federated Malay States Government in 1929 and acting general adviser to the Government of Johore in 1929.

Later he held a series of governorships including North Borneo, Cambodia, Fiji, Jamaica and Nigeria.—Associated Press.

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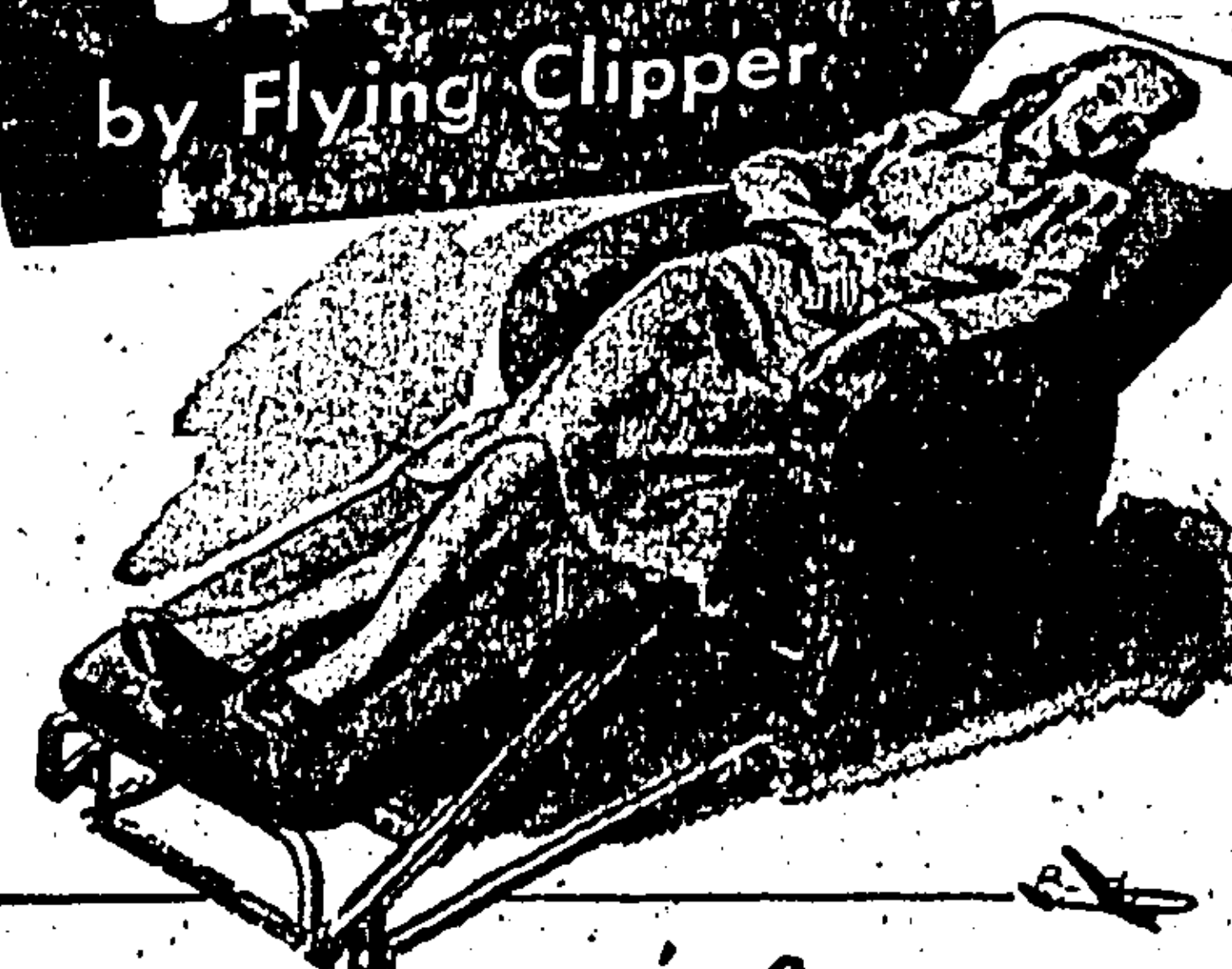
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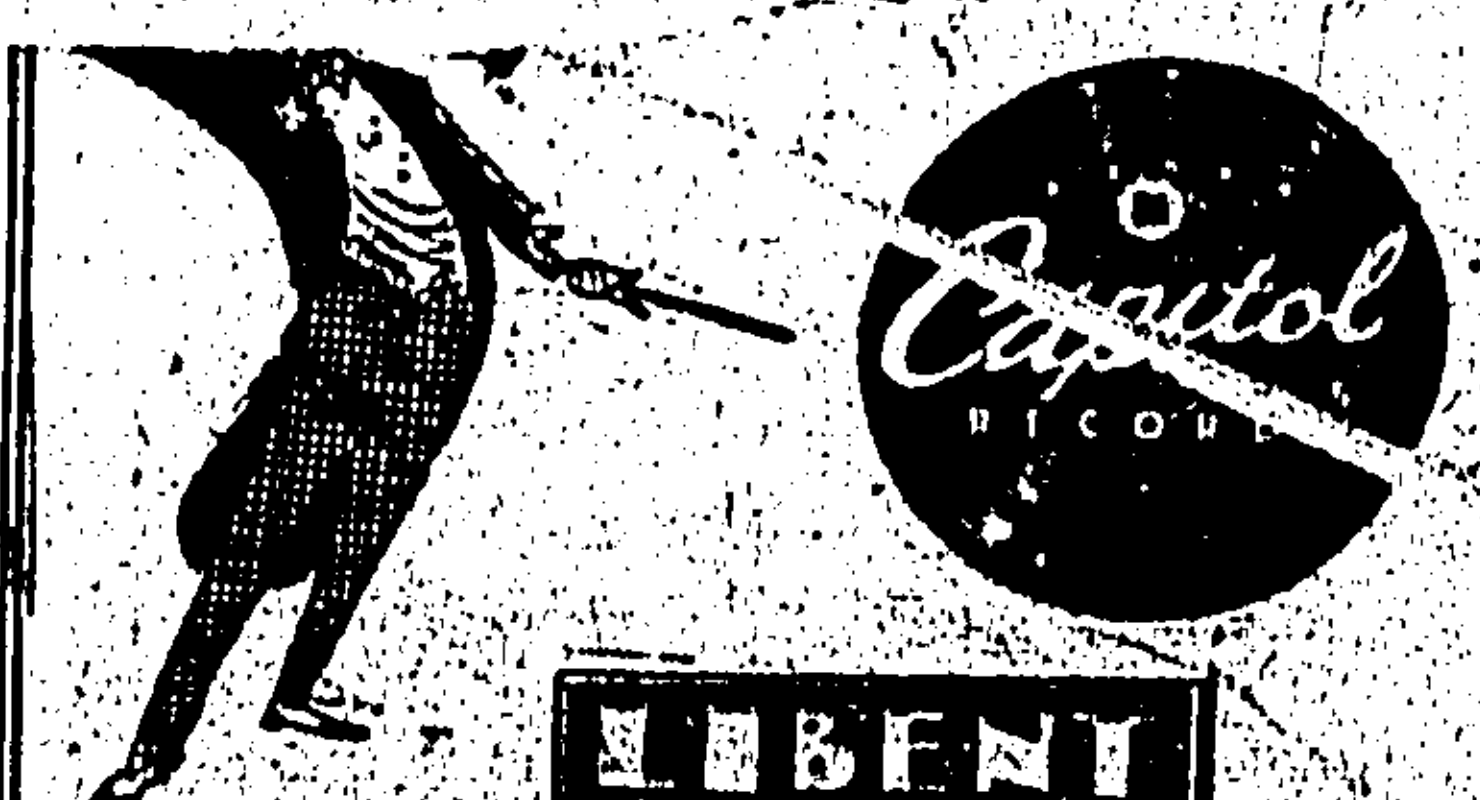
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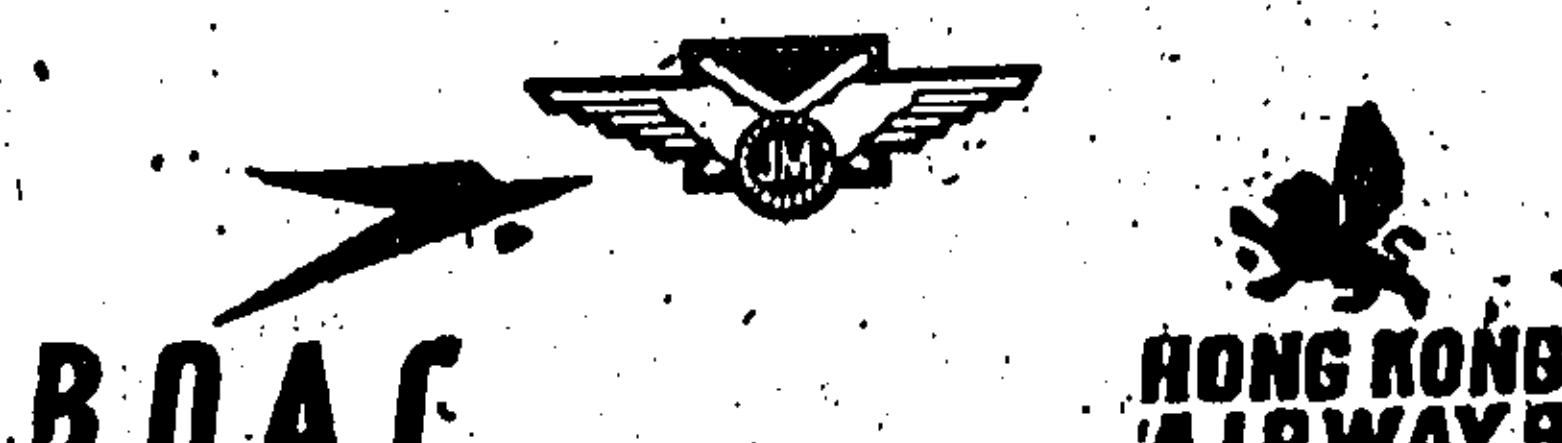
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KEEP IT UNDER YOUR GAY, NEW HAT

The secret of success is to keep your road to success secret. Mystery, Thy name is Woman, the sage should have said.

The fundamental secret of feminine charm, says Grace Eden, a well-known American fashion and beauty expert is: Don't tell him too much. Cleopatra, Helen of Troy, Mona Lisa, she says, all knew when to withhold the telltale, and that being enchanting means not being explicit.

There is no answer as alluring as no answer at all. Man likes to think woman a mystery. Your answers to his light questions and compliments sometimes mean the difference between fanning a flame and putting out the fire.

When he asks you how you keep your figure, make your hair look thick and bright or "what's the secret of that new look?" use your tact. There's no need, of course, to flatter your eyelashes and look coy, on such occasions. That is liable to infuriate the most devoted male.

You must be light with your elusiveness, never wounding his vanity or making him feel he has been snubbed.

Stop And Listen

What are some of the questions with suicide answers? Mostly about your figure, hair and complexion. So many attractive girls make the sad mistake of harping

on diet, exercises and beauty chores.

For instance, if your young man says "Your eyes are looking lovely tonight," that isn't your cue to rush into a detailed description of how you've just discovered the most marvellous eye-shadow or mascara. Or if he admires your golden tan, you wouldn't explain how it all came out of a tube.

Keep your style secrets your own, too—that drapes that emphasizes the uplift line the belt dipping at the back that wasps your waistline, the shoulder and hip pads, even that new hat that's making all the difference to the outfit he's seen a dozen times. Just let him go on wondering how it happens.

No Cheating

You can carry this kind of wise reserve into all sorts of situations. At parties, for instance, when you see some other girl trying to make a killing with your best young man. Do you sulk, or burst into tears on the way home, or even try to hustle him out of the way?

This is your cue to be nicer to him than ever, to build up his ego. Frankness and facts can't help. Just play possum and you'll win.

Then there's the time when you meet an interesting man somewhere, perhaps at a party. He's impatient to know all about you, what you do, like, think. Don't let him pump the well dry; keep him waiting to know more.

There's a type of man, too, whose first question when he meets a girl he likes is: "Do you have any other boy-friends?" This is the girl's cue to be mysterious. If she really is fancy free there is no need to say so frankly.

Do's Or Don't's?

Then there's this important business of kissing. The main thing to know is when not to be

kissed! There are no hard and fast rules about it—it's all a question of tact, of how serious you feel (and he feels, don't forget to gauge that), of the situation in general.

It's not at all necessary to kiss someone who has taken you out for the evening, as a kind of reward. But it is much better to pass the thing off lightly than to struggle or make a scene—after all, you needn't go out with him again.

HANDS DOWN.

Just imagine you're back at school again, and you have to hold out your hands for inspection. Fortunately for you, you're safe now from such embarrassing moments—but if you were caught one day, how would your hands stand the test? If you are free from the troubles listed below, yours are hands to have and to hold. If you are already beginning to squirm slightly, you may yet manage, with a little care!

First hazard to hand-happiness—nicotine stains! Are your fingers stained? Soap and pumice-stone is your answer, but when you've finished pumice-stoning, rub cream into your skin if you want to keep it soft. And remember, when you hold a cigarette, to keep the lit end at an angle which prevents the smoke drifting through your fingers: keep your cigarette as vertical as you can and the smoke won't have a chance to discolour your hands. And there's always a holder.

Secondly: Do you bite your nails? Nerves can cause nail-biting, so try to settle your worries and take a tonic—and your doctor's advice. Take calcium to help the building-up process, and paint your nails with bitter-aloes—you can buy a bottle at any chemist's. Wear gloves pretty thoroughly till your nails grow again, and the moment you've a nail worth showing, like it to the manicurist and have it so gloriously that you can't bear to chew at it. Or see if you can switch your "nerve" habit from nail-biting to

HE ASKED FOR IT

Junior, who was still too young to walk, had cried and fretted all day. The harassed housewife told her husband all about it when he came home that evening.

"Well, remember," he reminded her, "the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world."

That evening, with Junior still crying as before, she said to him:

"Assume world domination for a couple of hours, darling, while I go to the movies."—Wall Street Journal.

pushing down your cuticles. It's more constructive.

Third liability: Split nails. Again, that means lack of calcium. Take calcium tablets and these calcium rich foods in your diet: Milk, cheese, onions, turnips, radishes, and red cabbage. If you can have this mixture made up at the chemist, rub it round your nails each night: 2 drams oleate of tin, 2 drams powdered pumice, 2 drams oil of almonds. Failing this, ordinary castor oil is a fairly satisfactory substitute.

Dry Hands

Problem No. 4: Dry hands. They tend to chafe and develop little cracks. So you must replace the natural oils with peanut, paraffin, olive or castor oil.

The fifth sorrow is the neglected cuticle. If you can't see the moons on your nails, you'll need to try this routine. Soak your fingertips in a bowl of warm, soapy water. This will soften the skin at the base of your nails and you'll be able to push it back some way. When you dry your hand, dry each finger separately, pushing the cuticle further back with your towel. Then twist a piece of cotton-wool round a orange stick, dip this in cuticle remover, and run round the cuticle of each nail, and under the nail tips, while you're at it. Then scrub your cuticles with a nail brush, dry them as before, and if you haven't your moons showing fully by then, you certainly should after three or four more treatments. Persevere.

her why she does it and she can't tell you because her mouth is full of pins.

Beware of the woman who listens to a Savings Appeal on the radio (shouts Domesticated George, suddenly snatching up his cheque book and starting to count furiously on his fingers). For weeks afterwards the food will be terrible. Then one day when there's nothing left to eat but cold stewed snook she'll come tripping home with the damndest-looking little hat cocked over one eye, like a fallen bird's nest, and you'll be ruined.

The Supreme Sacrifice
At this point (it can be stated categorically) Domesticated George, hearing footsteps in the room above him, quickly tidied his desk by pushing everything into a drawer, and having wound up the clock went whistling down the passage and into the larder, where he surreptitiously brewed himself a powerful dried egg nog.

The toast (he said defiantly) is the Ladies, God Bless Them!

The Sad Reflections of George

A man's work is never done.

The art of understanding women is not one that is easily understood by the thinking man (writes Domesticated George, peering

cautiously through the key-hole to see if he is being watched).

It has been wisely observed by the writer Cowley (adds Domesticated George, putting his head on one side and listening intently) that woman is one of Nature's accidental blunders. Yet that doesn't explain why she invariably manages to lose just one glove? Why on earth can't she lose both of them, like everybody else?

Isn't it an astounding thing (asks Domesticated George, tidily tapping the ash from his cigarette into one of his slippers) that when a woman is standing in a long queue at a railway station she never thinks of opening her reticule until the booking clerk actually asks for her fare? And even then she has to empty the thing before she can find a penny!

Penny-Pinching

It is worthy of note (mutters Domesticated George, sitting down with a sigh and promptly jumping up again with an anguished cry) that in a home cluttered with little boxes and tins of all sorts a woman still prefers to park her infernal needles in the arms of the armchair! Yet ask



Jewelled Headgear

Fashion's latest fling in the Paris military collections, shown recently, is to incorporate large pieces of jewellery in her already complicated creations. This jewellery falls into two categories—the large "junk" or costume jewellery for day and sports wear, and precious stones for evening.

With the new "feminine" fashions affecting hats too, such old-time favourites as hatpins, stickpins and long filmy scarves are being eagerly sought after. Hatpins, particularly, leave little room for the imagination, since most things possible on the ends of hatpins have already been thought of and incorporated in those shown in Paris.

The two hats shown here are sufficient unto themselves, as being creations of Paris designer Suzanne Talbot. Above is gemmed Dutch cap in black lace, with the diamond pendant from Mau-

bousin suspended from two bunches of black algrettes (this adjunct is removable). For early evening wear, there is this pleated lampshade hat (right) in gold-coloured taffeta, covered with black Chantilly lace. A lace scarf fastened with a diamond brooch (again from Mauboussin) holds the hat in place. (AP Photos).

The scarves need fastening down somewhere, even if it is the rage just now to have them floating in streamers, and large pearl buttons, beaded birds and all manner of such are being used for this purpose.



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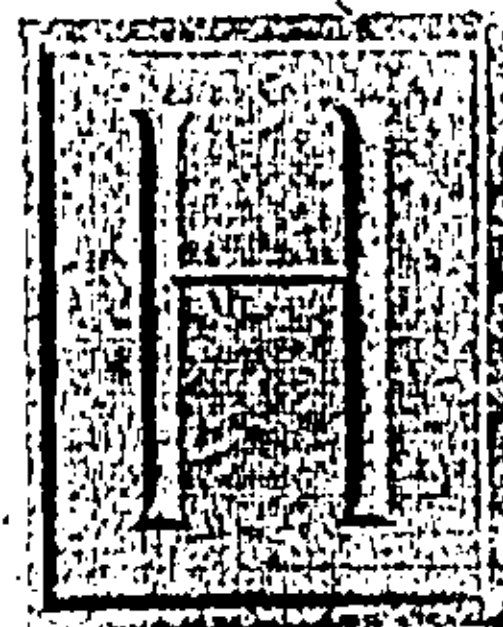
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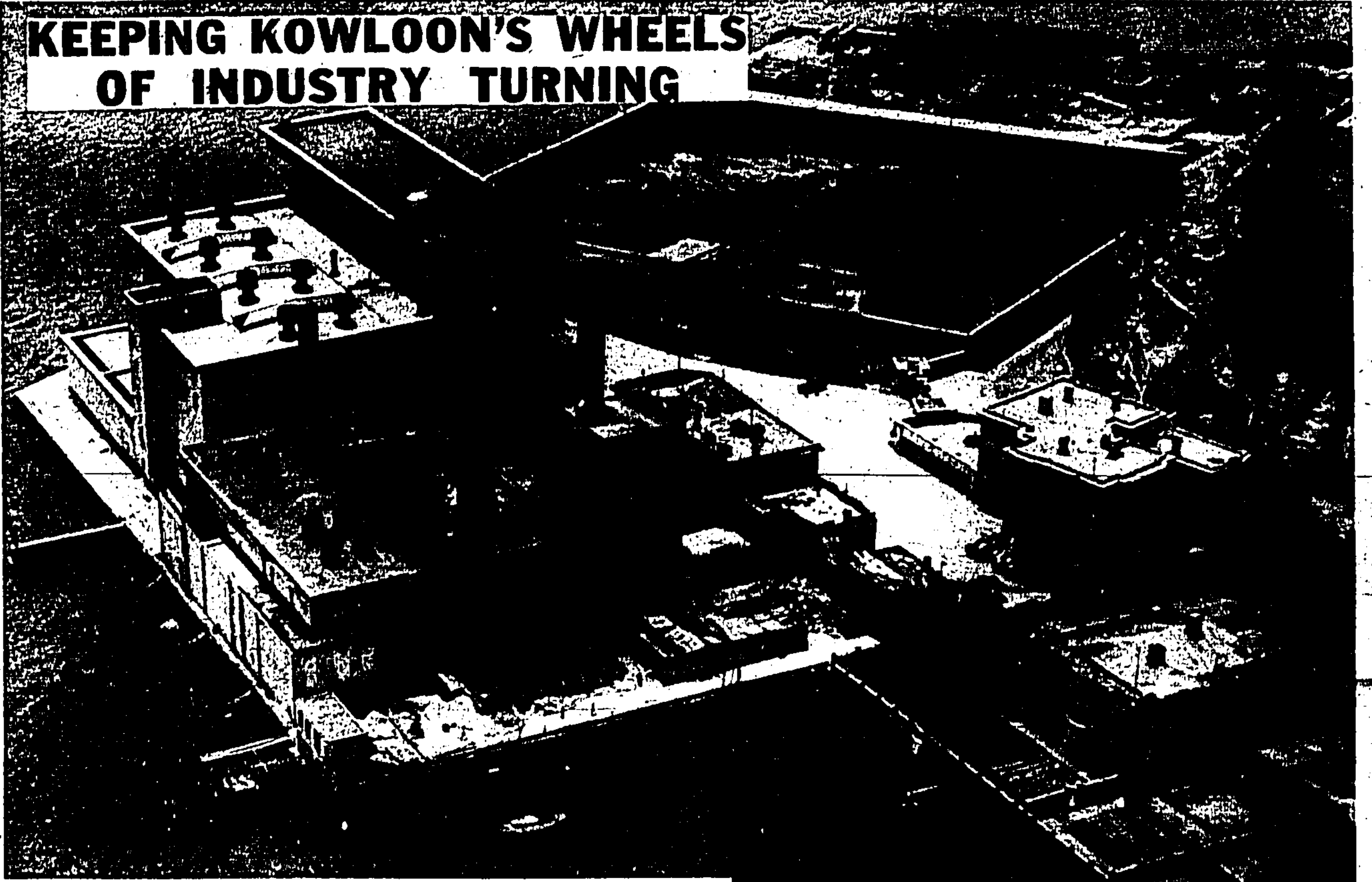
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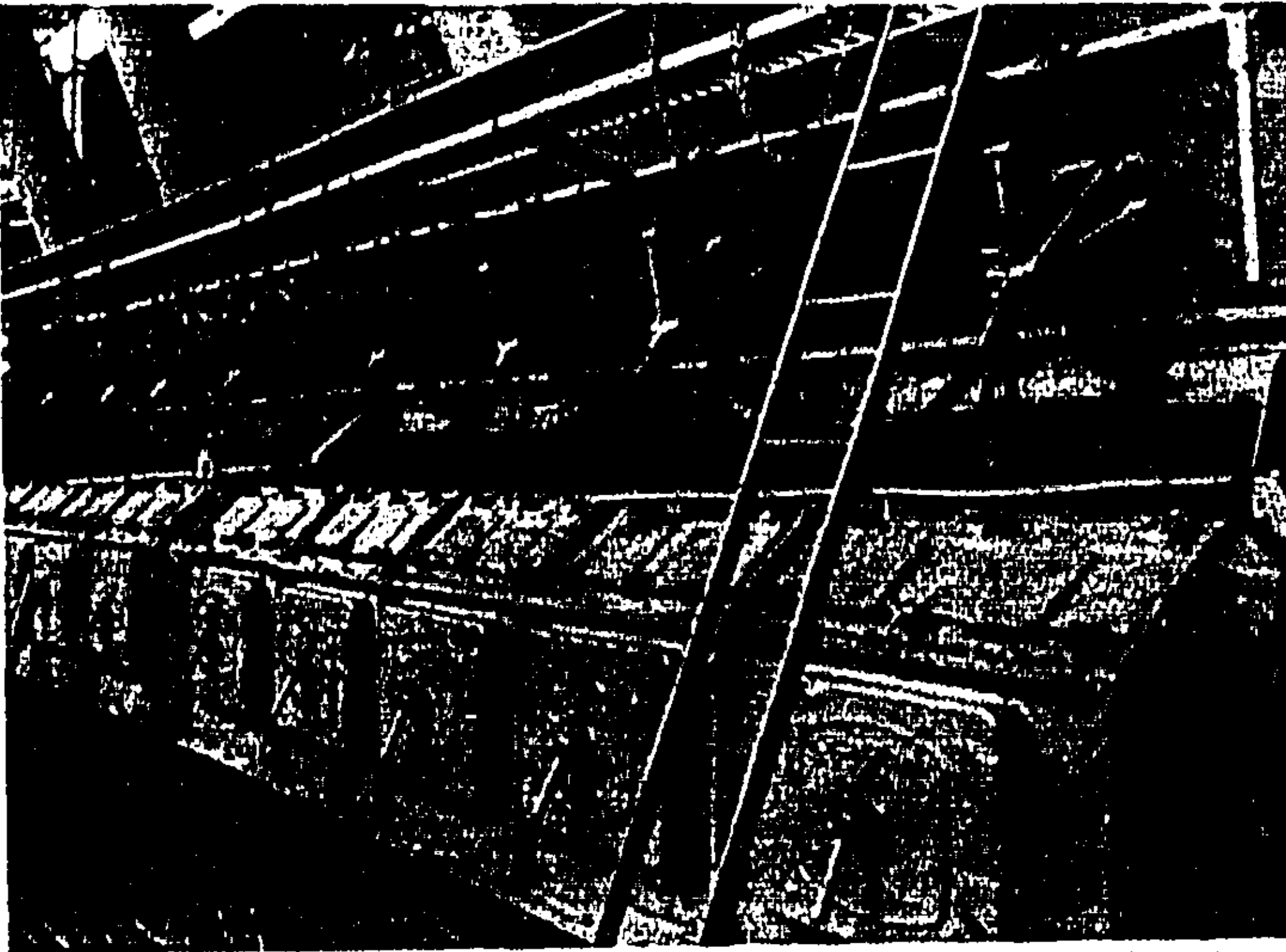
KEEPING KOWLOON'S WHEELS OF INDUSTRY TURNING



An aerial view of the China Light & Power Company's Generating Station at Hek Un.

The older building was erected in 1921 and the new extension in 1938. The latter exceeds 100 ft. in height and houses some of the most modern electrical generating plant in the Far East.

In the background can be seen the partly demolished Store and Workshop building which suffered badly during the fighting in Hong Kong.

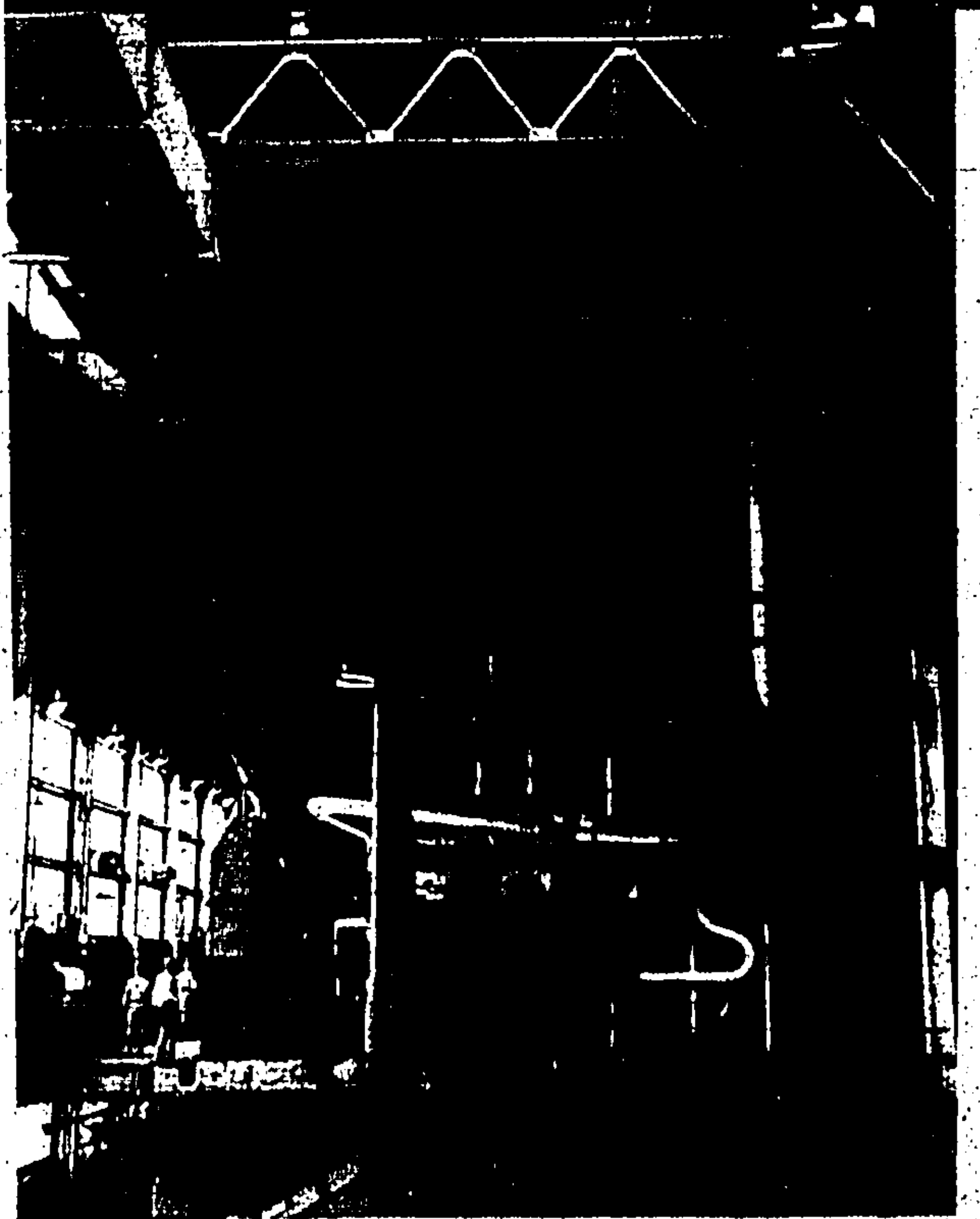


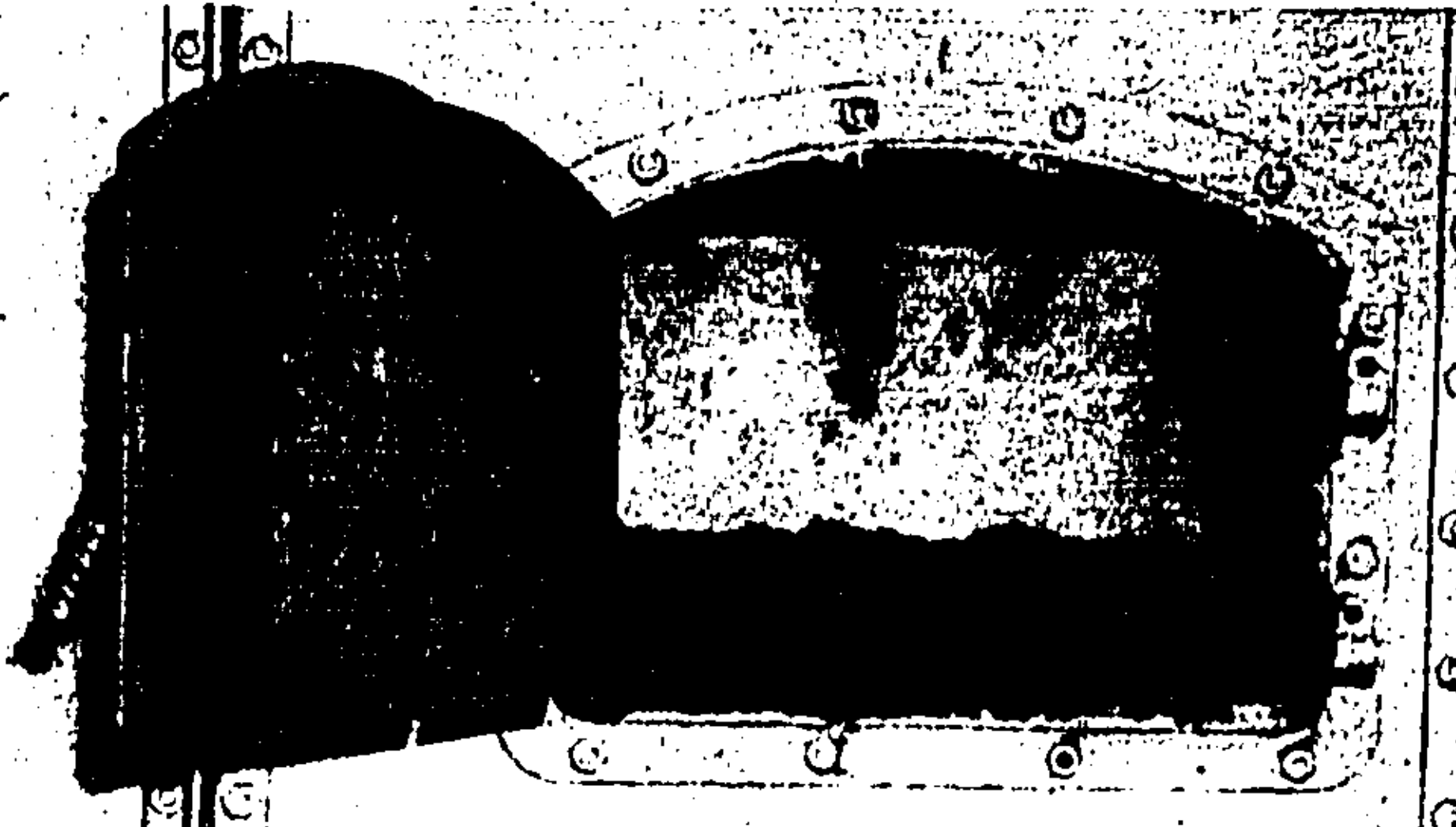
A close up of the No. 12 Boiler front at firing floor level, with shutters raised to show coal being fed on to the travelling grate.

View of International Combustion Company's No. 12 Boiler of 200,000 lbs per hour evaporation capacity. The fan floor shown above the boiler is 70 feet above the basement level.

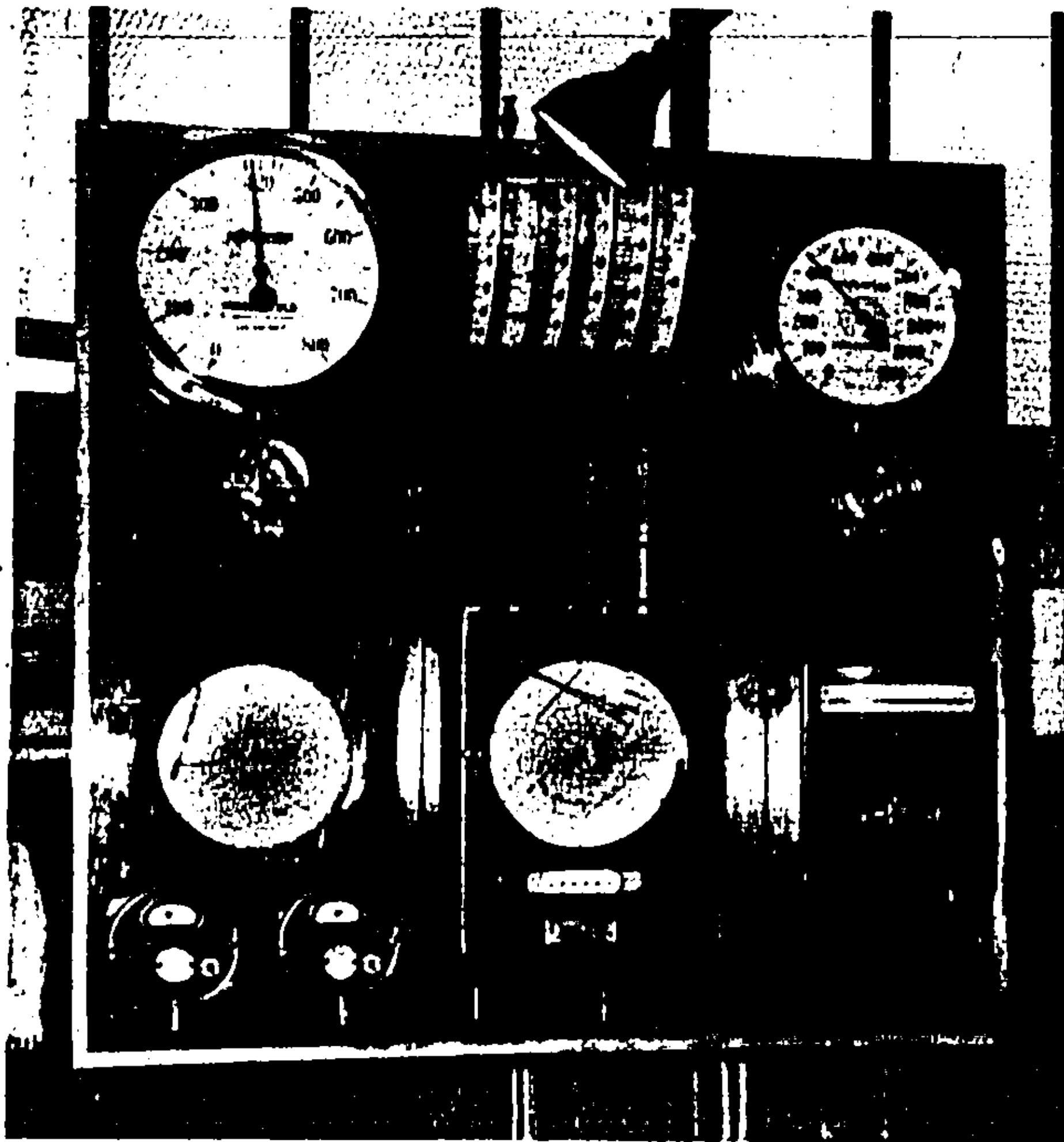
The coal bunker containing 150 tons of coal is shown in front of the boiler, whence coal chutes carry the coal to the 756 sq. ft. chain-grate stoker. At the time of its installation in 1940, this stoker was the largest in the world as regards surface area.

This boiler is dual fired: oil is sprayed into the furnace through four large burners in each side wall. This somewhat unusual arrangement permits a good deal of flexibility in operation.





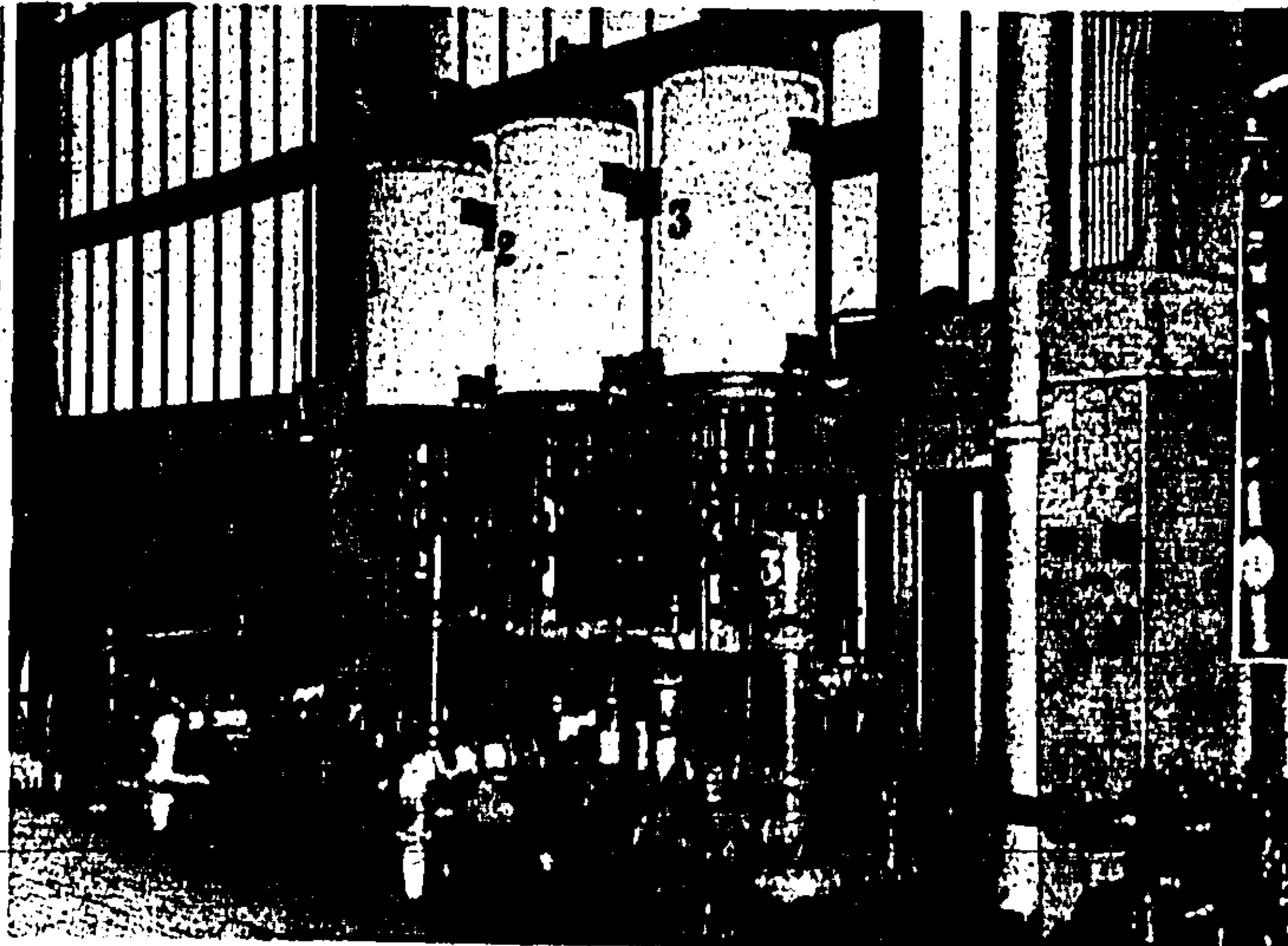
Looking into one of No. 12 Boiler furnace rear doors. The view shows a part of the 38 ft. wide incandescent bed of burning coal. As the fuel is carried by the travelling grate to the rear of the furnace, it is completely consumed and the ash is automatically quenched and conveyed away from the boiler.



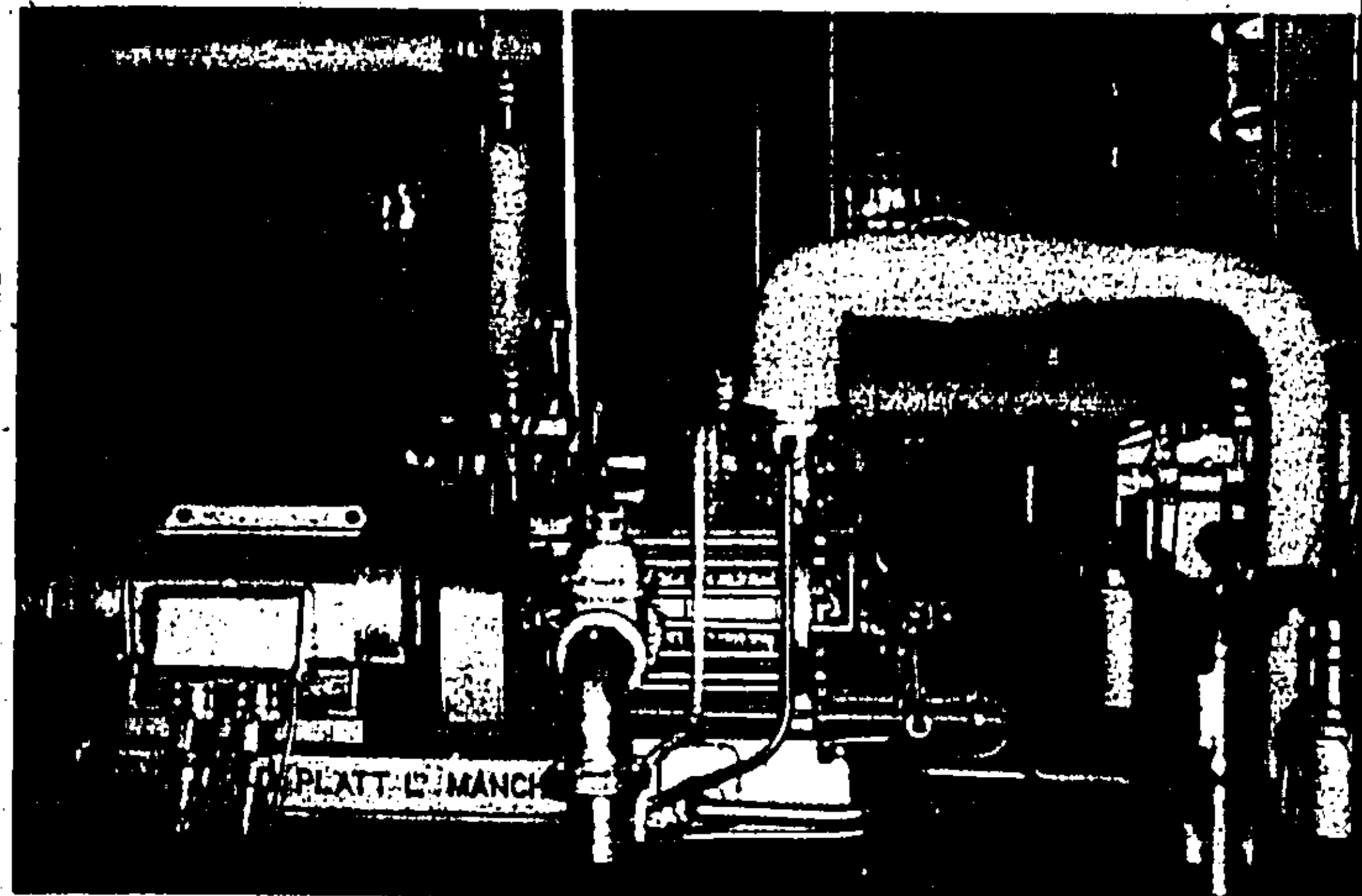
A Boiler Control Panel. The instruments shown here enable the operator to ascertain the pressure and temperature of the steam; the rate of generation and the total quantity of steam generated. From them he can also check the quantity of air being supplied by the fans to the fuel and the temperature of the gases at the various parts of the boiler.



A view showing the oil fuel burners of the International Combustion Company's No. 11 Boiler of 120,000 lbs. per hour evaporative capacity. This boiler was originally designed for coal burning, but was later converted to oil firing.



Oil fuel heating and pumping equipment for No. 11 and 12 boilers. The oil fuel storage tanks, adjacent to the Power Station have a capacity of over 2000 tons.



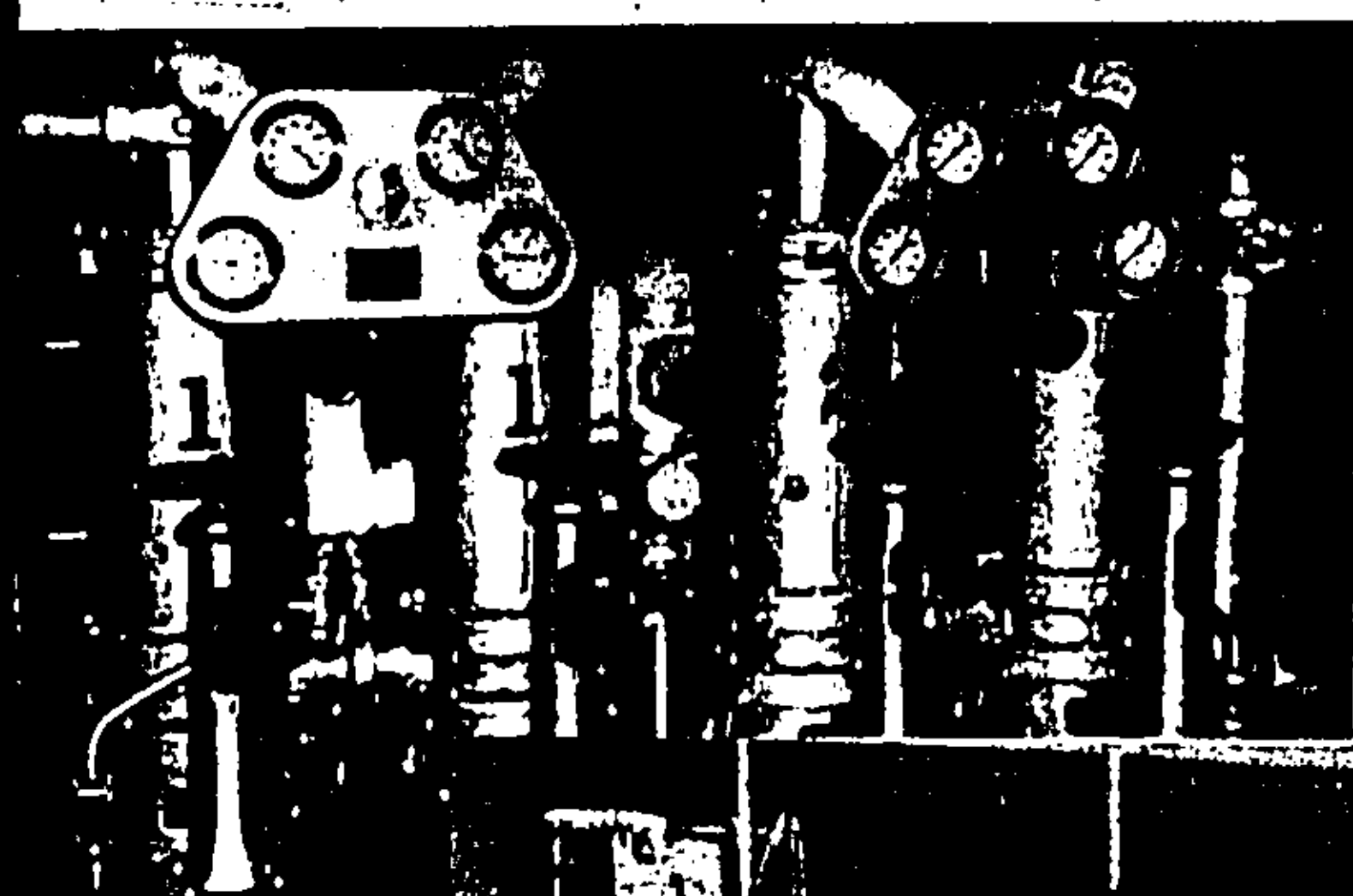
A view of the boiler feed pump bay showing three of the feed pumps. These pumps deliver water to the boiler economisers at a pressure of 550 lbs. per square inch and at a temperature of approximately 280°F.



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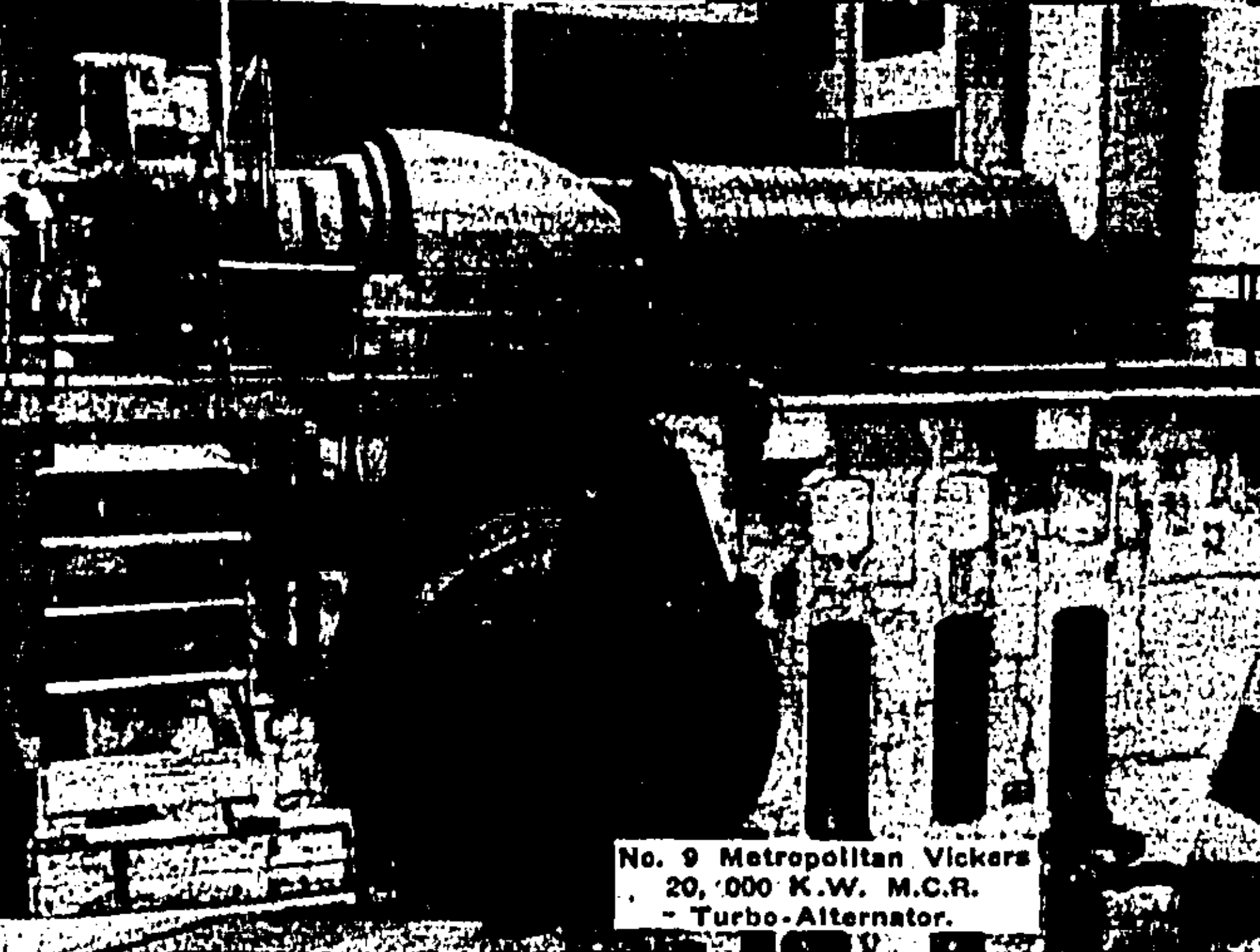
This machine was put out of action by British Military personnel in December 1941 so effectively that the Japanese were unable to repair it. Replacements parts were sent from England, and it was put into operation again in July 1947.

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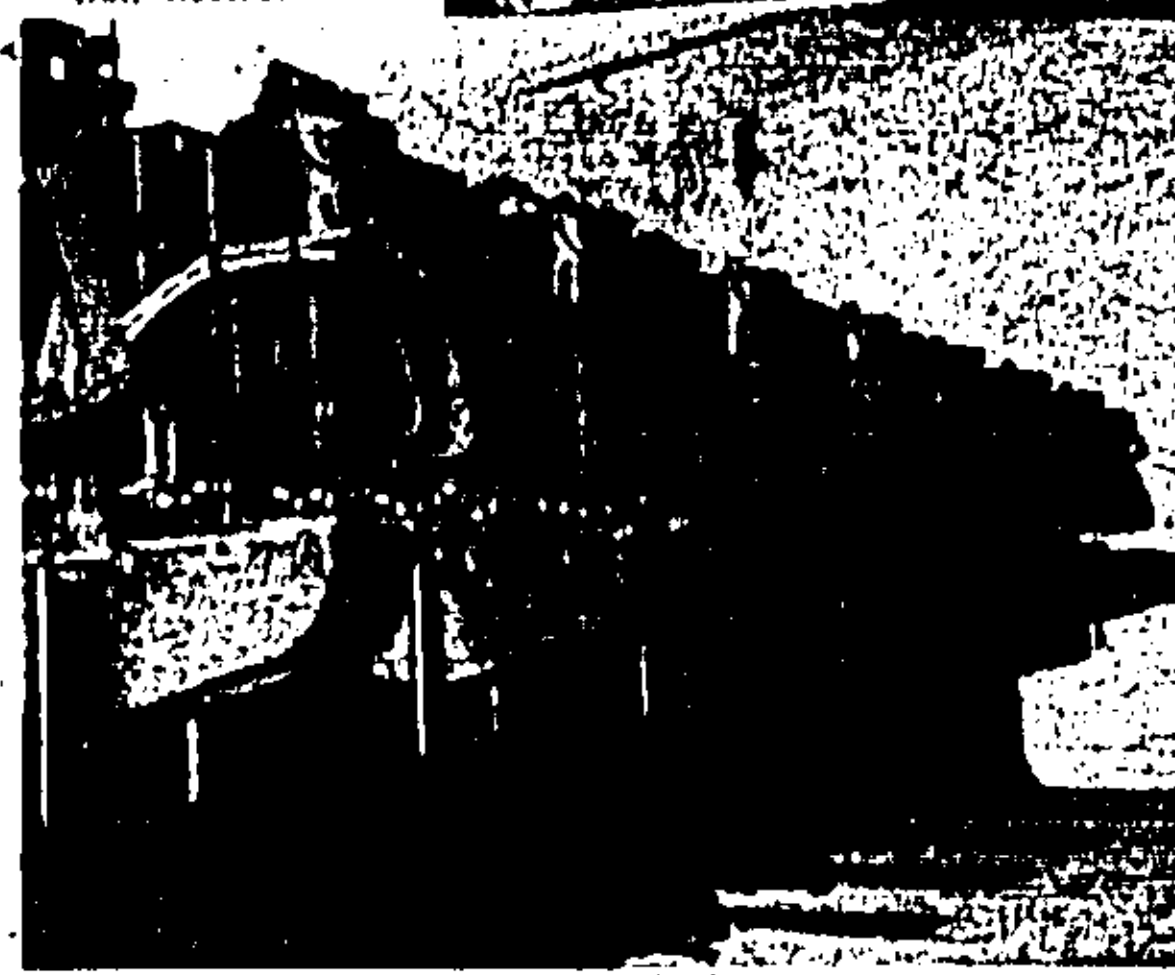
No. 7 Turbine air extractors, which by extracting the air from the turbine condenser, make it possible to maintain a high vacuum and ensure the efficient operation of the turbine.

Below, Part of the Main Switchgear which is housed in a separate fireproof building at the Power Station. These metalclad high tension switches control the current sent out to the substations in the Distribution network.



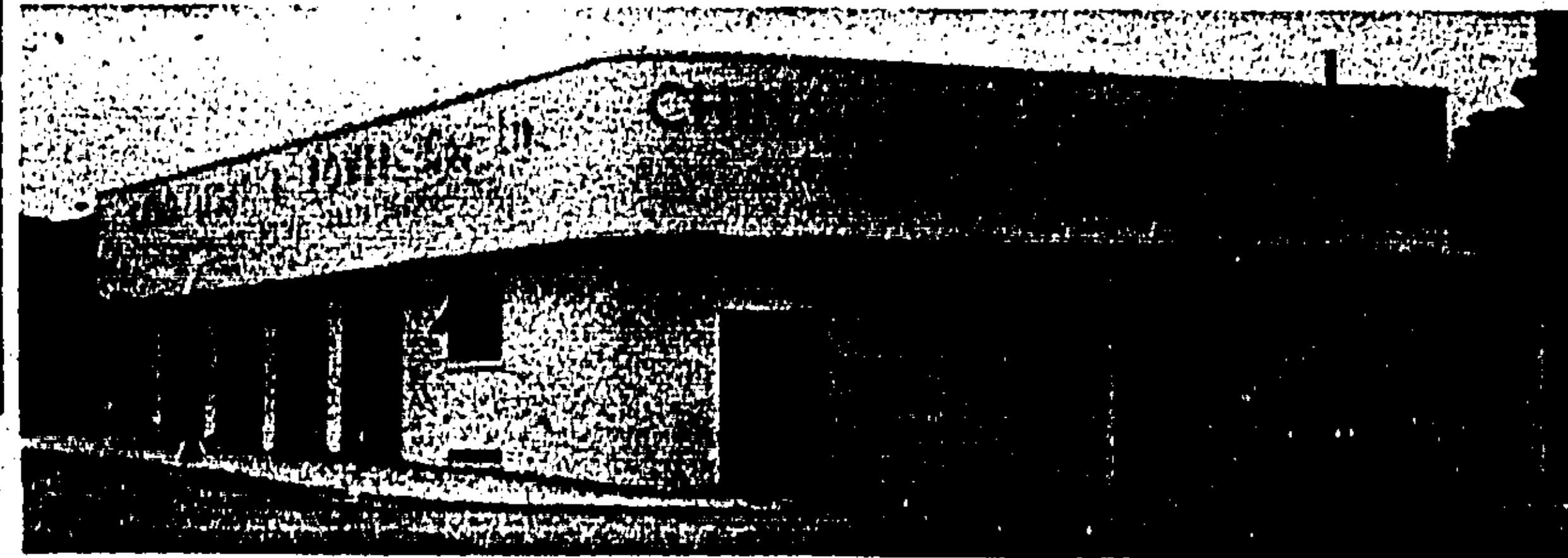
No. 9 Metropolitan Vickers 20,000 K.W. M.C.R. Turbo-Alternator.

The photo shows the lagging removed from the steam cylinder, thus enabling the increasing diameters of the stages to be seen. The steam rotor which revolves in the cylinder has 21 rows of blades, varying in length from about 3/4" at the High Pressure end to 18" at the low pressure end. Steam at 400 lbs. pressure per square inch and 700°F. temperature is supplied through a number of nozzles (depending upon the load) to impinge upon these blades, and a very sensitive governor ensures a speed of 3000 revs per minute.

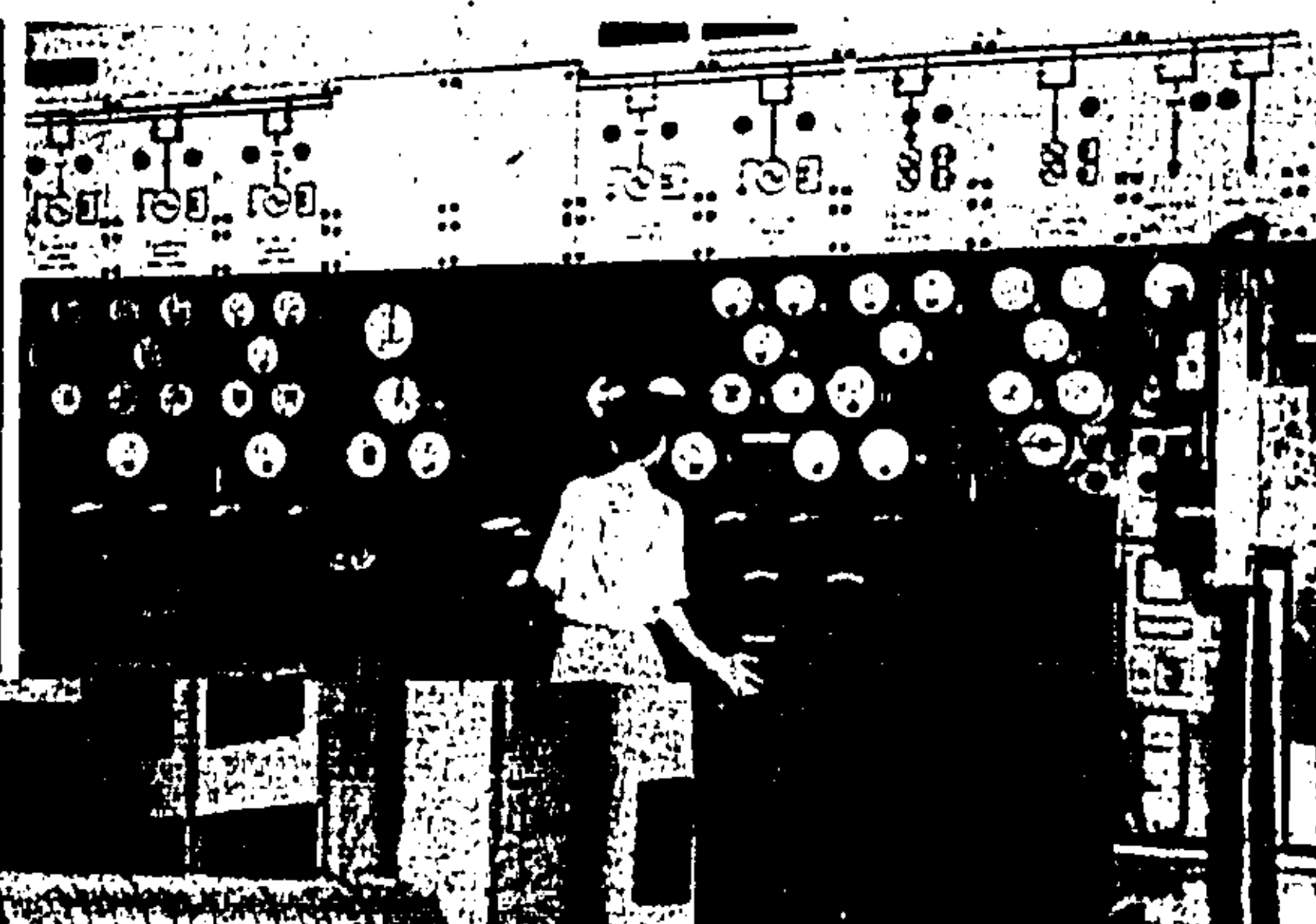


RIGHT.—A corner of the Power Station Laboratory showing a Bomb Calorimeter used for testing samples of coal and fuel oil to ascertain their heat content (Calorific value).

BELOW.—Pai Ho Street Substation, a typical substation on the Distribution Network. The substations are supplied from the Power Station with current 6600 Volts and also interconnected with other substations by means of high tension underground cables. By means of transformers in the substations the current is reduced in voltage to 350 volts and 200 volts for the use of consumers in the district.

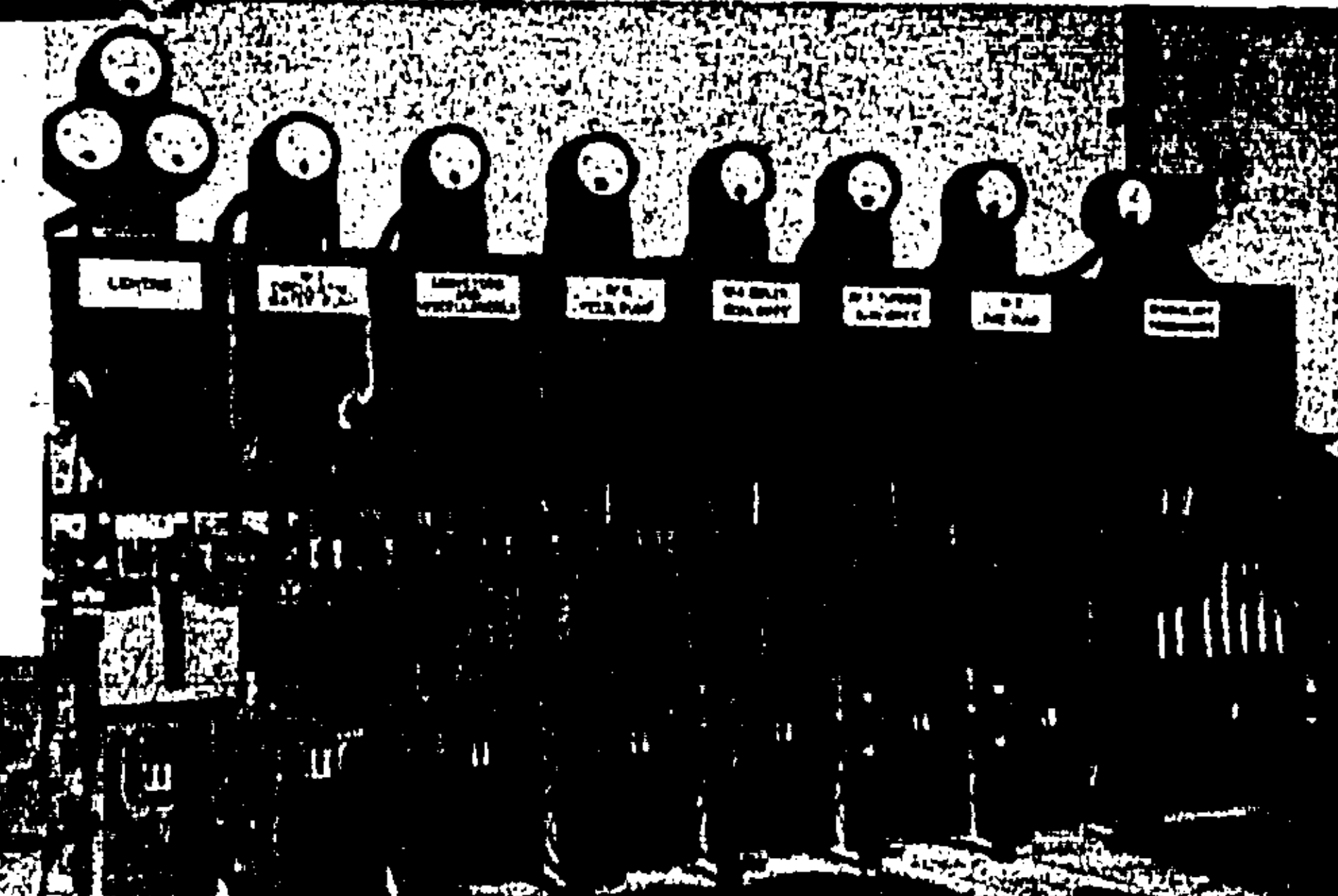
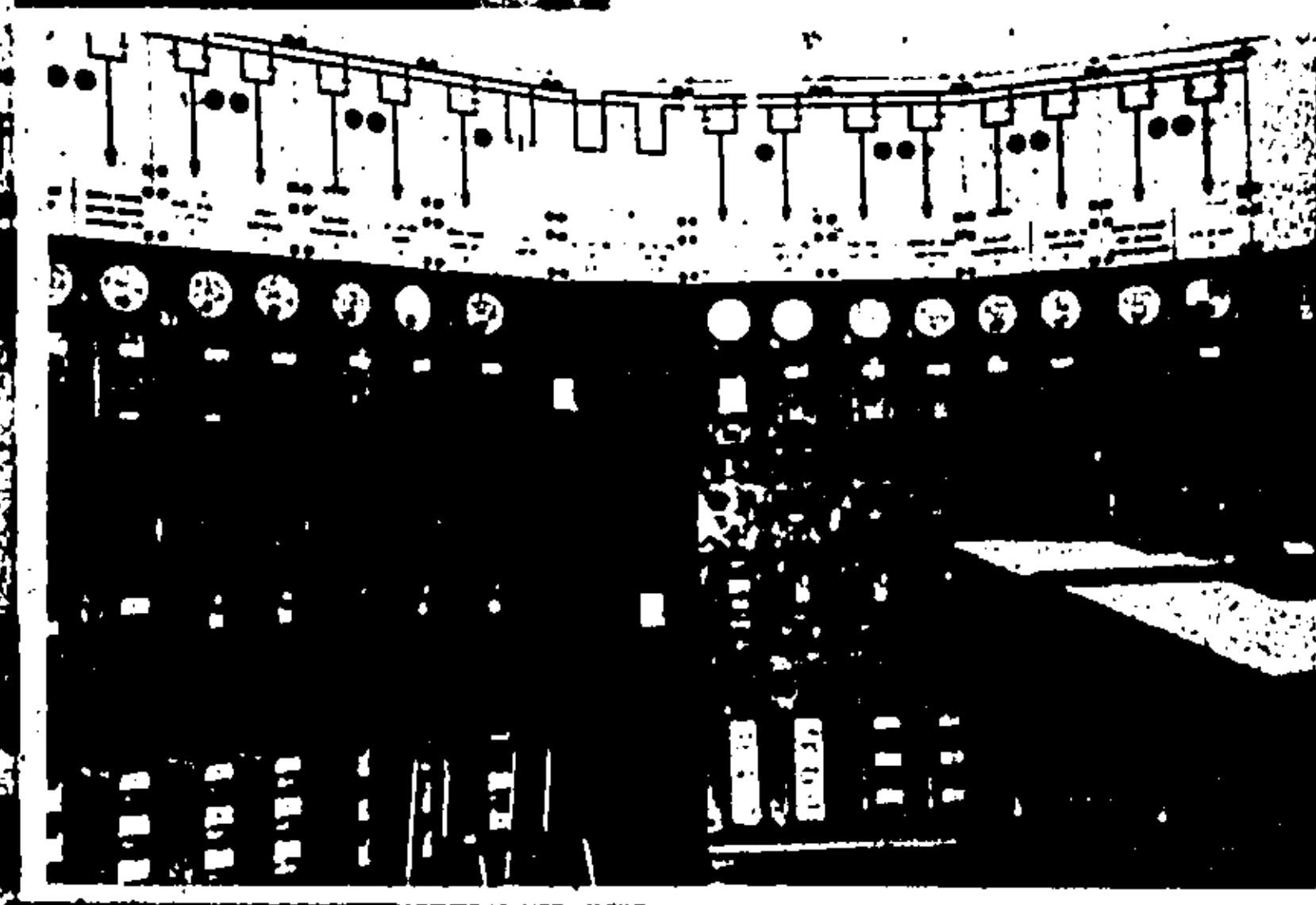


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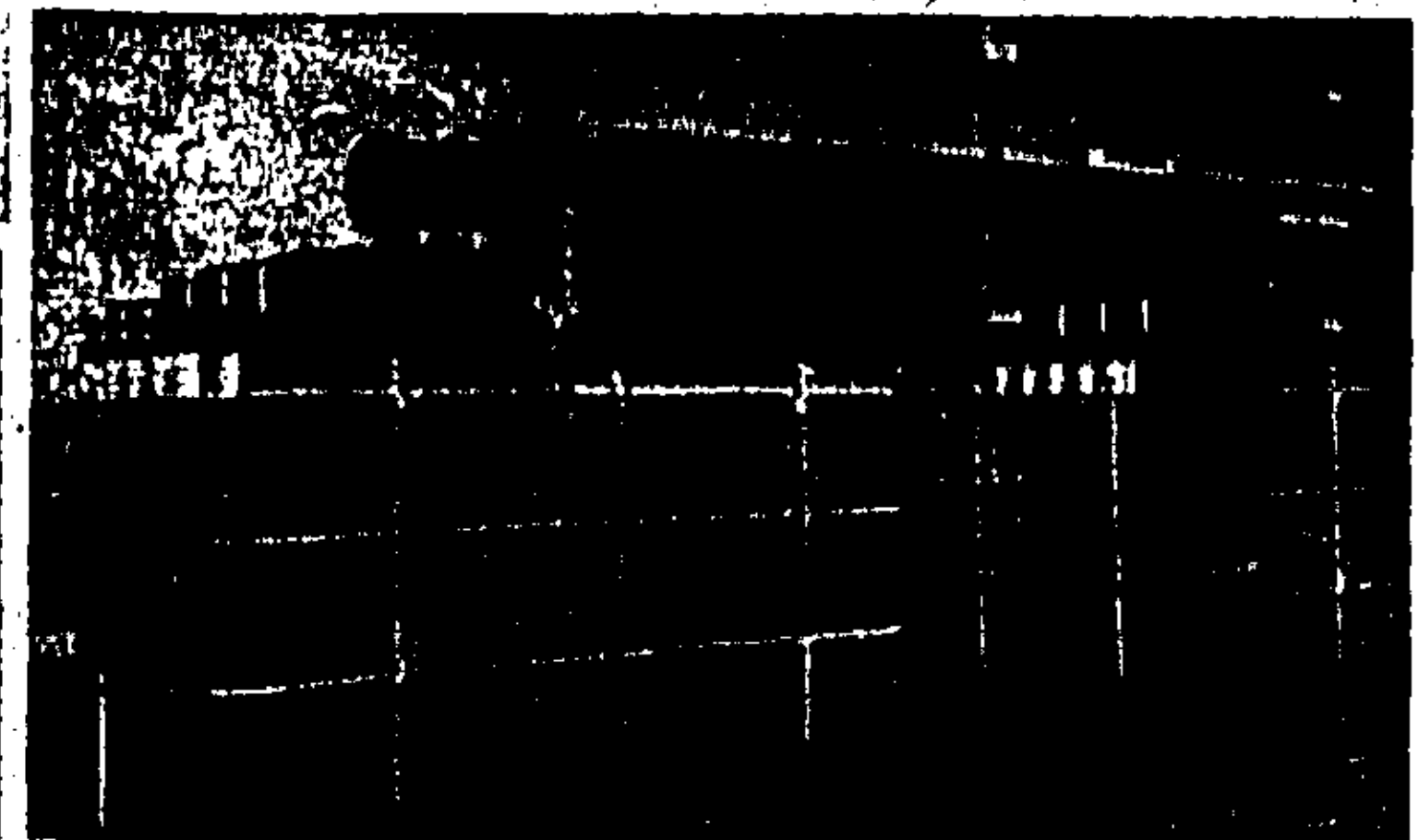


LEFT.—The Control Panels for the Main Generators, which enable the switchboard operator to control the speed, voltage and output of each machine. All switching operations are carried out in this room.

BELOW.—A section of the Control Room. Each panel controls a main 'feeder' sending current to one of the substations. The instruments indicate and record the amount of power taken by the feeder; relays operate and isolate the cable by opening the main switch should a fault develop in the system.



Transformers for Station Auxiliaries. In line with modern practice these 1000 K.V.A. Transformers are located outside the building. Their function is to transform current from 6600 volts to 350 volts for driving the boiler fans, coal conveyors and other auxiliary machinery for the main generating plant.



Low tension metalclad switchgear for the auxiliary machinery in the Power Station.



SECOND BIRTHDAY.—Ian, son of Inspector and Mrs. H. Brown takes his second birthday present for a ride. (Mae Cheung)



ONE OF THE YOUNGEST at the party given in celebration of his second birthday, Ian Brown, son of Inspector and Mrs. Brown is shown centre. (Mae Cheung).



RUNNERS-UP in the Inter-School Basketball championship for the 1948 season, the girls' team of St. Paul's College. (Mae Cheung).

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE also won the senior basketball championship in the inter-schools competition. Their side is shown in the photograph below. (Mae Cheung).



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UNITED NATIONS TO ACT?

Bernadotte's Approach To Council

"Prompt Intervention Can Be Decisive Factor"

Lake Success, July 12.

Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations mediator for Palestine, tonight invited the Security Council to order an immediate halt to the Holy Land war and hold the threat of United Nations punishment against the side which refused to obey.

Count Bernadotte had just arrived in New York by plane from his headquarters at Rhodes. He told the Security Council, "Prompt and effective intervention by the Security Council now could well be the decisive factor in solution of the problem."

The Council called a meeting for 1400 GMT tomorrow (Tuesday) to consider the report and hear further from Count Bernadotte.

"The Swedish peace-maker warned that the United Nations could not continue to avoid the problem of forcing the Arabs and Jews to end their war. He said the question must be answered at some stage unless the international community was willing to be shown that force was the means for settlement of the Palestine issue."

Explaining further, he declared that it could be made "prohibitively unprofitable for the Arab states to war against the Jews." He said that if this line of action were followed, there "will be in Palestine a Jewish community with a separate cultural and political existence."

Threat To World

On the other hand, Count Bernadotte said, if the United Nations did not prohibit war the Palestine issue would be solved on the field of battle "and would be a source of constant trouble to the rest of the world."

Although he was careful not to make specific recommendations to the Security Council, Count Bernadotte favoured a United Nations "order" to the Jews and Arabs to halt war because it is a threat to world peace.

Count Bernadotte made this clear in a rapid series of meet-

ings with delegates of the United States, United Kingdom, France, China and the Ukraine. He sought to contact Andrei Gromyko of Soviet Russia but the Soviet delegate excused himself because he was packing to return to Russia.

Count Bernadotte responded quickly to the Council's request for a more complete report on the Arab refusal to extend the four-week truce which ended last Friday.

He added that he could understand Arab unwillingness to continue the truce.

Inviting Disaster

"From a purely military standpoint, there may have been an advantage for the Jews which would be inherent in any truce involving them," he said. "Their position is essentially defensive and time runs in their favour in that it increases the possibilities for consolidating defensive positions and improving military organization. At the same time, the truce stopped the momentum of the Arab attack."

"Moreover, in view of the fact that the Jewish political structure is quite new, time affords the Jewish Government opportunity to strengthen the political organization and also fortifies their political position psychologically."

However, throughout his report, Count Bernadotte appeared to be warning the Arabs that they could only be inviting disaster, through United Nations in-

tervention, in maintaining their adamant position. On the other hand, the mediator indirectly pointed out, by keeping peace the Arabs win vital boundary and other concessions from the infant Jewish nation.

Arab Gains

On the fighting fronts in Palestine, meanwhile, the Arabs reported during the past 24 hours gains for the first time since the truce expired on July 9.

The gains, which matched Jewish successes against such key towns as Lydda and Ramleh, saw Israeli forces take six villages—Faqa, Mugbilah, Arana, der Gazi, Hamala, and Sandala, all situated in the Jenin area. The Israelis also reported "Arab irregulars" had forced the Jews to flee from the villages of Jeba Akzem and Ayn Ghazal, "which the enemy surrounded during the truce."

These latter places are barely a mile from the Jewish-held coastal road and railway to Tel Aviv, according to the Syrians. In Jerusalem heavy casualties were reported to have been caused among the Jews when Arab Legion artillery shelled the Russian compound, according to an Arab communiqué from Amman.

Galle Fighting

Fierce fighting was reported in upper Galilee near the Syrian frontier and in particular in the Huleh Lake region.

Syrians launched several attacks on Jewish settlements near Huleh Lake, it was reported, but a Jewish army spokesman claimed all attacks were repulsed with the infliction of heavy casualties on the attackers.

The settlements were shelled from across the border, but no serious damage was caused. Syrians attacked Jabula settlement, leaving 50 dead men behind them in a field, said an Israeli announcement in Haifa.

United Press, Reuter and Associated Press.

To Stop The Communist

Ottawa, July 12. Canada had agreed to ship small arms and ammunition to China "to stop the Communists," Trade Minister C. D. Howe told a press conference today.

Howe gave the reply to a question as to why arms shipments are permitted to go to China when other countries seeking to buy arms in Canada were denied export permits. — United Press.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT BY JETS

London, July 12.

As British planes today completed the first leg of the first trans-Atlantic flight by jet-propelled aircraft, American jet fighters prepared to take off.

Six De Havilland Vampire arrived at Reykjavik, Iceland, this afternoon from Scotland on the first stage of their east to west trip.

Later, 15 American Shooting Stars, fully armed, arrived at Bangor, Maine, from Michigan, bound for the American Zone of Germany.

The British craft had been held up at Stormovoy since July 1 because of 100-miles-per-hour head winds in the Atlantic.—Reuter.

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Ticals dropped to \$25.80 a 100. NEI Guilders were steady at \$45.10 a 100.

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Bangkok: Gold, Bar, per baht weight of 15.244 grammes, unquoted; Exchange Rate (selling), Bangkok on New York T.T. 20.20, London 80.50, Hong Kong 3.71.

Paris: Free Gold Prices: Napoleon 4,525 frs.; French 10 franc coins 2,250; Swiss franc 4,925; Union Latine 4,200; Sovereign 5,025; Half Sovereign 2,400; U.S. Dollars coin (20) 21.000; U.S. Dollars coin (10) 10.850; Sovereigns (in free dollars per ounce) \$76.8; U.S. Dollars notes (in black-market) 360.

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